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Residents' fears on busy road

'The county council must act and act now'

■ FEARFUL OF CROSSING THE ROAD: Janet Newington by the side of her late husband Robin's grave

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PARISHIONERS fear that crossing a busy road to visit loved ones' graves in a Weymouth cemetery could cost them their lives.

Wyke Road splits the churchyard of All Saints from the cemetery opposite and its traffic poses a dangerous barrier for those trying to visit graves.

Now they have called on Dorset County Council to put in a crossing to enable them to negotiate traffic safely.

Janet Newington lives close by and cannot visit the grave of her late husband, Robin, for fear of being hit by vehicles.

She said: "I want to visit the cemetery not end up being buried there because I've been knocked down on the way."

She is sometimes helped to make a visit by Nancy Brook who said: "I have to cross Wyke Road on foot up to four times a day doing the school run with children and it is a bit of nightmare.

"To get a crossing in would solve so many people's problems with this traffic and also help prevent a tragedy because it is so dangerous there."

Road safety campaigner Georgina Skipper said: "The trouble is that six roads come together in this small area. Traffic has speeded up, there are now more vehicles and the situation is getting even worse. The county council has to act and act now."

County traffic control manager Matthew Williams said they were aware that an application had been made for a new pedestrian crossing on Wyke Road.

He added: "Unfortunately, there is no capital funding available for these kind of projects at present.

"No such applications can be accepted or progressed until finances become available."

■ TRAFFIC NIGHTMARE: Crossing Wyke Road from the cemetery is very difficult for Nancy Brook, Georgina Skipper and Janet Newington

Fight over Town Green status goes back to Appeal Court

NEXT Monday (February 6th) sees a major fight over the future of a large open area in Weymouth taken to the Appeal Court.

Markham and Little Francis was awarded Town Green status in 2000 but ten weeks ago developer Betterment Properties, which now owns the land, successfully argued at the High Court that that status should be removed.

The Society for the Protection of Markham and Little Francis won the right to contest this decision without facing punitive damages.

That challenge is due to start at the Appeal Court on February 6th and five days of court time has been booked for the hearing.

Society chairman Gill Taylor said: "We are being heard with another Town Green - Clayton Fields in Huddersfield - who lost their High Court case last year and are appealing on very similar grounds to us.

"One of the important aspects that will affect us is whether it is right to deregister a Town Green when it has been registered for so long.

"People make decisions based on there being a registered Town Green in the vicinity, this is particularly true for people who have purchased houses since the registration in 2001.

"The Open Spaces Society are continuing to back us as this is becoming such a wide issue for, if we lose, it will threaten all of the Town and Village Greens registered under the 1965 Act, encouraging owners or purchasers of greens to seek deregistration for financial gain.

"'I would like to thank all of the local residents and organisations who have supported us to enable the society to take the case to the Appeal Court.

" I find it very inspiring that the community has come together to defend and maintain their rights against the odds.

"Their support gives us a clear indication that the Town Green is very much valued and that the local people want it to stay as an area for people to enjoy in natural surroundings. We continue to raise funds and very much welcome any donations, large or small."

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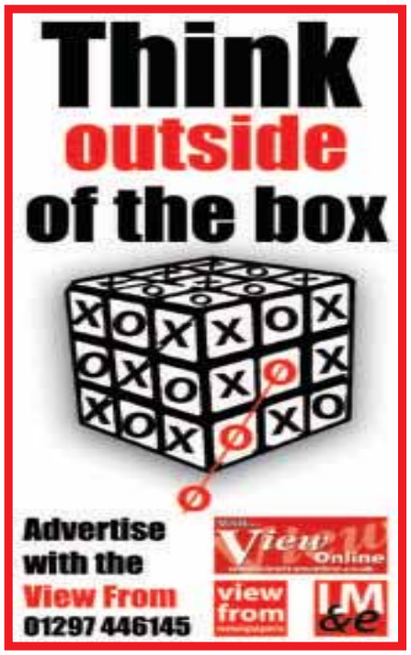
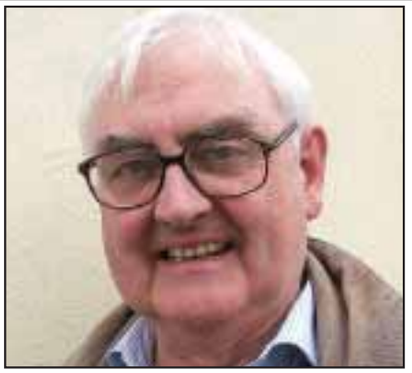


60 SECOND INTERVIEW

JEREMY Pope, 68, has spent a lifetime involved in Dorset business.

Perhaps best known for running family brewers, Eldridge Pope, (where he was known as Mr Jamie) he has remained busy since leaving the company with a number of roles, including a spell with the Regional Development Agency.

Married to Jacqueline, the couple have three boys aged between 32 and 41.



ARE you Dorset born and bred?

Yes, I was born in Culliford House at the end of the Walks in Dorchester and in 1947 we moved out to West Stafford to Talbothayes Lodge, the former home of Thomas Hardy's sister. Hardy designed it and let's say that his literary skills exceeded his ability to design buildings awfully well, it was all corners, but the thing I remember above almost anything else was a fantastic loo which was over the top of the main entrance and it was a two-holer and you could sit there and look down over the River Frome. It was absolutely lovely. In 1954 my parents moved to Tenantrees at Lewell. I lived there until l got married in 1969 but in the meantime I had been up to Cambridge and I spent three years in London qualifying as a lawyer. I'm a fourth generation lawyer and my youngest son is now a fifth generation lawyer.

WAS there always an expectation you would follow your father's footsteps into Eldridge Pope?

Yes I think so, but one of the reasons for getting a legal qualification was that if EP had been taken over in the 1960s, when there was a lot of takeover activity, I would have had something else to do. I worked with a firm of lawyers in London for a couple of years and it was quite useful because we dealt with property, intellectual property and all sorts of contract work; we had licensing and so on which was all useful when I joined EP in 1959.

WERE you happy about that, or did you have misgivings?

I think when you work in a family environment there is an expectation that you join the company and you have a very strong calling, personally, to continue something. People might think that's very patronising and old hat but actually it's a great privilege – we had people who had worked for us for generations. When I joined we probably had in Dorchester at least 300, but when you took into account people in shops and managed pubs, it got up to about 1,200, and to about 1,500 by the time I left in 1999. I loved working with the people there. I used to have an open door every day after 5.30pm and if anyone wanted to come and talk about anything at all they could. A lot of people are cynical about it but it wasn't patronising. We did care for people and felt a strong bond and responsibility for them. It developed a lot of mutual trust. I still see a lot of people who we worked with and who worked for us. You don't lose those friendships. It was a wrench when I left but I am one of those people who don't look back, but tend to look forward.

AND what have you done since then?

Contemporaneously with leaving EP I was appointed to the board of the then, newly formed, Regional Development Agency and was deputy chairman for six years and in that capacity got heavily involved to buy the former air station at Portland and then redevelop it. I was also chairman of four companies, the biggest and most interesting was chairmanship of a milk co-operative – so I went from beer, to wine, to milk. I suppose the logical step next would have been to water.

THE former Brewery site is now being redeveloped – what do you think of that?

Well, there was a time when I wanted to buy the brewery, but was thwarted in that. Had I been able to do it, it would have been redeveloped in the way it is being redeveloped at the moment. We did have the vision that the site, together with the Fairfield, would one day become the new centre of the town and the activity then on the site would have moved up to Poundbury to protect jobs and activities, but it wasn't to be.

WHAT about leisure – how do you fill any spare time you have?

I love shooting and fishing, gardening and keeping bees, although not very successfully. The trouble with bees is they are all women and they get stroppy! I also cook, a lot. I make up a lot of dishes, but I'm not very good at puds. I help run a shoot and we do a lunch every fortnight for around 50 people.

SO had you not been in business, or a lawyer?

I might well have been a cook. It's the only art form I think I've got some skill in. Lots of people have cooking as a bit of a pipe dream. When I was working I cooked every night – firstly because it was a fair division of labour but if you cook it's all about organisation and concentration and it's a wonderful way to relax.

ARE you now retired?

Well my wife says I'm still doing too much. I guess I am one of those people who would rather wear out than rust out.

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Improvements for the public's convenience

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NEW toilets opened at Weymouth's Pier Bandstand yesterday, the first in a series of improvements for public conveniences across Weymouth and Portland.

Male and female toilets and a separate disabled toilet are features of the new block and there are also baby changing facilities in both the men's and ladies'.

The Pier Bandstand toilets replace the underground Brunswick Terrace toilets which were damaged in an arson attack in October 2010. These toilets will remain closed to the public and the temporary toilets which have been in place in the area will be removed.

The new above ground toilet block will provide residents and visitors to Weymouth with upgraded and more accessible facilities from 8am-6pm during the winter and from 8am-10pm during the summer.

Community facilities spokesman Councillor Kate Wheller said: "The opening of the new toilets at the Pier Bandstand is great news for both residents and visitors to Weymouth.

"Providing good-quality, clean and accessible public toilets in key locations within the town is a must and I am confident that local people will welcome these new and improved facilities."

Weymouth and Portland Borough Council is currently upgrading a number of public toilet blocks in the area with work due to be completed in time for the 2012 Olympic Games.

Toilets at Greenhill Gardens, Bond Street, underground toilets near the Kings Statue, the Swannery, Cove Street, the Nothe, Portland Bill and Fortuneswell will all be included in the improvement programme.

A new 'changing places' facility for people with disabilities is being fitted into the former Tourist Information Centre building on the promenade. Dorset County Council is providing the funding for this facility.

Weymouth and Portland Borough Council have allocated £100, 000 for the improvements to public toilets.

Funding for the upgrade to the toilets at the Nothe has been provided by the London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games while add funding for the toilet improvement programme has also been made available through the Seafront Regeneration Budget.

Pedalling up a healthy breakfast

PEDALS turned furiously, blades whizzed and chopped and the result was a very tasty breakfast smoothie for eight-year-old Ben Ricketts.

He was riding a bike which powered a blender during a Weymouth Value House display in support of Farmhouse Breakfast Week.

The event formed part of a national campaign to encourage people to eat a healthy breakfast.

Store manager Lee Mitchell said: "Breakfast is one of the most popular servings in our cafe, so we were happy to support the campaign because breakfast is the most important meal of the day."

Ben lost no time tucking into the smoothie his cycling prowess had created and he said: "I enjoyed that. The smoothie was nice. Can I have some more?"

Speeding, no seat belts and chatting on the phone - 150 drivers caught

NEARLY 150 drivers were caught committing motoring offences in Weymouth during the latest Surround a Town event.

More than half the offences were dealt with by uniformed police officers with the rest being speeding drivers detected by safety camera vans.

Forty per cent of offences dealt with by officers were drivers not wearing a seatbelt and nearly all of them opted to attend a free seatbelt awareness course held at the Dorset Fire and Rescue Service Community Safety Centre on Radipole Lane.

The majority of drivers that committed other offences were offered Driver Awareness Scheme courses at a later date rather than receiving points, fines or court appearances.

Other offences detected during the day included 28 speeding offences, seven motorists driving while using a mobile phone, three vehicles being driven with no MOT and one driver given a prohibition notice for having an unsafe vehicle.

The event, which was run by Dorset Road Safe partners, formed part of the 'no excuse' project whose manager Brian Austin said: "The Surround a Town events support our priority to reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on Dorset's roads through enforcement, education and publicity.

"Even after warnings were published in the local press and broadcast on the radio, and even though a large quantity of 'no excuse' signage was displayed across the town, nearly 150 drivers in Weymouth were still caught committing motoring offences.

"One male was caught using his mobile whilst driving. Ironically, he was answering a call from his friend warning him to watch out for the police."

County road safety team manager Robert Smith said it was "worrying and disappointing" to still see drivers risking lives by using their phones at the wheel.

He added: "You are four times more likely to crash and be seriously injured if you use a mobile to answer or make a call, or to compose or read a text message while driving."

As part of the day's events, Dorset Fire & Rescue Service and other partner staff delivered the high impact 'Safe Drive, Stay Alive' presentation to sixth form students from Budmouth Technology College. This emotive presentation shows the consequences of a serious collision and it had a clear and noticeable impact on the students.

Other staff worked with over 700 very enthusiastic children at Holy Trinity School on Cross Road to deliver education and advice on cycle safety while staff from Cycle Sporting Group repaired and serviced free many bicycles brought in by children.

Mr Austin said: "We will continue to seek reductions in casualties in Weymouth and across the whole of Dorset. Statistics comparing the 18 months before the 'no excuse' project launched to the 18 months after show a 40 per cent drop in the number of people killed or serious injured in the Weymouth and Portland area."

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Apply early for Diamond Jubilee street party licence

WEST DORSET| WEST Dorset residents who plan to hold a street party for the Diamond Jubilee should apply now to Dorset County Council.

People wanting to hold a street party on or by June 5th 2012 must apply to the county council by Friday, April 20th. A minimum for six weeks notice is required for residents who want to hold a street party.

An application form to hold a street party is available by visiting www.dorsetforyou.com/streetparties

West Dorset District Council Leader Councillor Robert Gould said: "It is anticipated that a large number of residents will want to mark this fantastic occasion with a street party.

"I would encourage residents to look at the information on dorsetforyou.com to see what procedures are needed to hold a street party and to submit applications with plenty of time to spare.

"The district council has made money available to town and parish councils in West Dorset to help celebrate the Diamond Jubilee on June 2nd and 3rd 2012."

All applications should be returned to the Road Space Management Team at Dorset County Council.

The team can be contacted by emailing roadspacemanagement@dorsetcc.gov.uk or phoning 01305 221853.

In November the district council's Executive Committee decided to distribute £5,000 from the Leisure Development Fund to help town and parish councils celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

For more information about applying for help to support Diamond Jubilee celebrations, contact the West Dorset District Council Leisure and Tourism Team on 01305 252250 or email: leisure@westdorset-weymouth.gov.uk.

All town and parish councils should apply to the Leisure Development Fund by Thursday, March 1st.

For more information about ideas for a street party and how to organise one visit www.streetparty.org.uk.

Council launch sign language Information films

DORSET| DEAF people in Dorset are being offered the chance to find out about council services in the county with the help of new information films.

A total of 21 new sign language films have been launched giving information about vital services like recycling, planning and schools.

They can be seen on the dorsetforyou.com website.

The project, which was led by West Dorset District Council, began after the Dorset Equality Partnership identified that more needed to be done to help deaf people access council services.

The district council worked with a charity that supports deaf people, to create the films.

Sonus helped identify what information should be featured in the films and translated the scripts into British Sign Language (BSL).

Paul Kirby, Sonus Community Development and Co-ordination Manager, said: "We are delighted to have been part of this project, which provides access to the council's website, allowing deaf BSL users to access information on council services in their first or preferred language."

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Last chance to be an Olympic volunteer

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WEYMOUTH and Portland Olympic ambassadors programme has started its second phase of recruitment.

It already has 500 ambassadors and the second phase will seek to increase the team to 800.

Organisers say that this will be the last chance for enthusiastic individuals to become part of the official local team for the greatest sporting event on earth.

London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games chairman Seb Coe said: "We're delighted to support the Weymouth and Portland Ambassador Programme which is a great opportunity for local people who are passionate about Weymouth and Portland to get involved during Games time."

Weymouth and Portland ambassadors will greet, steward, answer questions, give advice and be the welcoming smile to people visiting Weymouth and Portland during Games time this year.

The Olympic and Paralympic period for the Weymouth and Portland Ambassador Programme will run from July 26th-September 9th, a total of 46 days.

Volunteers will be asked to give up to 60 hours of commitment over the Olympic and Paralympic period which will be divided into 10 shifts lasting six hours.

Weymouth and Portland Borough Council 2012 spokesman Councillor Howard Legg said: "Our volunteers will be on hand to guide visitors, provide information and answer any queries that are put to them. This will be a demanding task which they will achieve with full training to supplement their enthusiasm and eagerness to want to help."

Weymouth and Portland ambassador programme spokesman Sarah Kennedy said: "Our ambassadors will wear officially branded uniforms, be provided with a bus travel card, meal and refreshments during their volunteer shift and will be acknowledged for their valuable commitment. "

The only criteria set is that Ambassadors are enthusiastic about the Olympic and Paralympic Games and their values, committed to the ambassador programme, are passionate about Weymouth and Portland and are 16 years old by May 1st.

To apply to become a Weymouth and Portland Ambassador visit the online application form at www.dorsetforyou.com/london2012/wpa.

Applicants, who meet the criteria will be notified by 16 March 2012 and then asked to attend an interview in Weymouth which will be held from March 20th-22nd. Successful applicants will be notified soon afterwards.

. . . or to help at the fort

OLYMPIC helpfuls have also been volunteering to help at Weymouth's Nothe Fort during the Games period.

Two recruitment events attracted nearly 100 people who were given a presentation by fort director David Joy who told them that they would have duties from marshalls to guides.

He added: "The fort is within the Olympic viewing area and we can expect up to 4,600 visitors during any one day.

"Staff numbers will need boosting to cope with those sort of numbers, so we are very grateful to everyone who has turned up to volunteer.

"Each person selected will receive training in health and safety before carrying out their duties during the Olympics.

"This is a once in a lifetime event for Weymouth and Portland and a once in a lifetime opportunity to showcase the Nothe Fort as the fort is very much a success story because of the conservation and activities carried out by local volunteers.

"All 4,600 ticket holders to the Nothe viewing area for sailing events will have an opportunity to visit the fort. We don't know how many of them will take this up, but we have to make provision."

Mr Joy said that 600 people are allowed in the fort at any one time and one possible strategy might be to issue visitors with tickets staggered to various times to avoid overcrowding.

He also point out that five or six volunteers cope with 200-300 per day during normal times, but there could be 15 times that many visitors so more staff were clearly needed and there would be in-house training for volunteer marshalls.

New manager for 'Live Site'

NEW member of staff Roger Woods will be responsible for organising and running the Live Site at Weymouth Beach during the Games.

The borough council launched a national recruitment campaign in November 2011 to find a suitably experienced candidate to manage the Live Site which will provide local residents and visitors with a place where they can enjoy the Olympic atmosphere for free.

Roger, who comes from near Bath, is an experienced events manager who has been involved with a number of events companies, put on live music events worldwide and site managed the International Festival of the Sea, which at the time was the biggest maritime event in Britain.

■ ROGER Woods next to where Live Site will be

The free Live Site will be at the Pavilion end of the beach and will run daily between July 27th and August 12th. Viewers will be able to watch live and recorded Olympic sports, including sailing, on the two 60 square metre screens. While the site will be able to entertain up to 15,000 people at any one time, access to it will be closely controlled and managed for safety reasons.

Mr Woods said: "It is a privilege to be part of this once in a lifetime project and I am looking forward to working with the Weymouth and Portland 2012 Operations team and our partner organisations."

The Range comes to town

DORCHESTER| WORK has started on a Range store for Dorchester with the company now advertising vacancies on its website.

Scaffolding recently went up on Dorchester's former Focus store at the West Station as The Range confirmed they would be opening for business on March 9th.

The building has been empty since early summer when the Focus chain went into liquidation.

Phil Gordon from the Dorchester BID group welcome the news. He said he hoped that if former Focus staff had not found other work they might find positions in their old store, with new owners.

A previous attempt to re-open the building under the B&Q brand failed when it was ruled that it would give the company too much of a monopoly in the area – much to the annoyance of local people who now have to drive to Weymouth to use a larger DIY store.

West Dorset planners have agreed to the reopening of the store for the sale of bulky goods, furniture, textiles, carpets, electrical goods, hardware, DIY, garden and pet products, vehicle accessories and cycles, camping and leisure goods, toys, hobbies and office equipment. The type of goods to be sold is greater than the old Focus store used to sell.

The nearest Range store to Dorchester is currently in Poole.

The Range group started in Plymouth in the 1980s and boasts more than 65,000 products across 16 departments including; DIY, Homewares, Furniture, Lighting, Arts & Crafts and Garden.

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The Range has also diversified into property; manufacturing, waste management, shop-fitting, hearing aids, dry cleaning and has recently secured a place on the Sunday Times HSBC Top Track 250 league table of Britain's leading mid-market private companies 2011.

Experts examine burial pit bodies in TV documentary

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DORCHESTER & WEYMOUTH| Bodies found in a mass grave near Dorchester may have been a gang of Viking mercenaries, according to researchers.

The hypothesis is being put forward in a documentary, Viking Apocalypse, which has been shown on the National Geographic UK TV channel

The burial pit was found on the Ridgeway in 2009 during the construction of the Dorchester-Weymouth road. In it were the decapitated bodies of 54 young men, all of them dumped in a shallow grave with their heads on one side.

Cambridge University researchers believe the group could have been the victims of a mass execution around the turn of the 11th century.

Radiocarbon dating revealed that the remains belonged to men murdered at some point around the year 1000. This suggested a connection with the Vikings, because the Anglo-Saxons along the south coast at that time lived under constant threat of Viking raids.

Isotope testing on the men's teeth later revealed that they had come from Scandinavia. But exactly who they were has remained a mystery.

In the documentary a TV crew follow archaeologist Doctor Britt Baillie as she examined the remains, as well as documents from the period and other evidence, to reopen the file on what happened in Dorset a 1,000-years-ago.

Baillie's analysis draws her to the conclusion that they may have been Viking mercenaries who modelled themselves on, or behaved in a similar way to the legendary Jomsvikings – a brotherhood of elite killers whose strict military code involved never showing fear, and never fleeing in the face of the enemy unless totally outnumbered.

"The legends and stories of the Jomsvikings travelled around the medieval world and would almost certainly have been indicative of some of the practices of other bands of mercenaries or may even have been imitated by other groups," Doctor Baillie said.

The documentary places the deaths in the context of the early 11th century and the troubled rule of Aethelred II – better known to history as "Aethelred the Unready". It is believed that following a series of Viking raids and threats to his own life, Aethelred decided, in 1002, to have all the Danish men living in England murdered on St Brice's Day, November 13th – an event which became known as the St Brice's Day massacre.

Historians differ about how many people were actually killed and whether those who were murdered were residents of the Danelaw (the Viking-occupied part of England at the time), or just mercenaries based elsewhere.

The bodies found in Dorset are quite possibly the victims of a similar act of butchery. Aethelred was known for playing divide and conquer with bands of Scandinavian mercenaries who worked for him, and it may be that these Vikings had fallen out of favour with the king.

The number of bodies corresponds to the number that would have been required to man a Viking longship of the period.

The Ridgeway Hill individuals were systematically executed. They were beheaded from the front – just like the warriors in the Jomsviking saga.

In the saga, one captured Viking says: "I am content to die as are all our comrades.

"But I will not let myself be slaughtered like a sheep.

"I would rather face the blow. Strike straight at my face and watch carefully if I pale at all."

■ **ONE of the remains found at the Ridgeway**
Photo courtesy of University of Cambridge

Operatic society open evening

WEYMOUTH| WEYMOUTH Operatic Society is holding an open evening workshop so people can come along and see what they do.

The event on February 23rd will be held at Hope Church near Brewers Quay with teacher and show director Martine Burt.

She said that enthusiasm was more important than vocal, movement or acting ability which tended to improve with practice and confidence.

She urged men not to be shy and said the group would welcome more men in its ranks.

Martine added: "We are always needing backstage help, moving scenery, props, assisting cast, prompting, running the raffle and more.

"The evening will be all about fun. As long as you are over 15, come and have a play and enjoy a glass of wine or a cuppa with us.

"The evening is free."

The importance of remembering

Respect for Holocaust victims shown by Weymouth residents

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HEADS bowed in respect when the annual Holocaust service was held in Weymouth.

It was taken by the Reverend Brian Ellis in the Diana Princess of Wales Gardens off Radipole Park Drive and among those who attended was Weymouth and Portland Mayor Councillor Graham Winter and Lord Mendoza who lost his family in the Holocaust concentration camps of World War II.

He said: "I feel this service is very important, particularly as an aunt of mine died last November and she had survived five years in Auschwitz.

"We hope to establish a formal Jewish community in Weymouth this year and to join in the 2013 Holocaust service as a community."

Mr Winter said: "This is a very important day when we remember what happened in the past to try and ensure that it never happens again in the future."

Mr Ellis said: "We have got to remember that events similar to the Holocaust are still happening now. It hasn't stopped and we have to cross faiths to speak out about it now."

■ PART of the congregation at the Holocaust service

■ SPEAK OUT: Barbara Cohen adjusts the Holocaust display in Weymouth Library

A HOLOCAUST display to mark Holocaust Memorial Day was held at Weymouth Library.

The 2012 theme was Speak Up Speak Out and organiser Barbara Cohen said that the public response to it had been very positive.

She added: "It encouraged people to remember, to try and ensure that all prejudices are made unacceptable whether they are aimed at the colour of a person's skin, their sexuality, their religion or their nationality.

"It is important to ensure that something like the Holocaust never happens again although it is happening in Tibet with China.

"So many countries trade with China but they don't speak out against what is happening in Tibet because they don't want to rock the boat."

Good support for leukaemia charity

■ WEYMOUTH and Portland Mayor Graham Winter, Joyce Sumner and Gwen Elliott at the coffee morning

A COFFEE morning at the Crown Hotel in Weymouth, in aid of Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research, was well attended.

The event was organised by the South Dorset branch of the charity whose chairman Gwen Elliott said: "It was nice to see so many people here. All the money we raised will go towards general research funds."

Among those who attended was Weymouth and Portland Mayor Graham Winter who said: "I am pleased to be able to support such a worthwhile charity which does such good work throughout the year.

"It is also nice to see so many people coming through the door to support the volunteers who give up their own time for the charity."

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The Importance of Color in Interior Design

ALTHOUGH there's no hard and fast science that says everyone will react in a certain way to a certain color, there is something very real about the psychology of color and no doubt that certain colors tend to elicit certain emotions, moods, and even physical feelings. Because of this impact choosing the right colors for your interior design scheme is about so much more than just which swatches and samples you think look pretty together.

Warm vs Cool

Colors are divided into two groups: warm and cool. Reds, yellows, and shades of orange are warm colors and are known to stimulate and excite, while blues, greens, and purples are cool colors because they have a relaxing and calming affect. In general warm colors work well in places where there should be activity and interaction, like the kitchen and living room, and cool colors are most appreciated in rooms where the aim is relaxation and calmness, like the bedroom and bathroom.

That's not to say you can't mix things up and put a relaxing color somewhere busy -- my mom has green in her living room and it's still the lively hub of the house, although I do find the walls relaxing to look at. Here are some basics about each of the major color groups:

Red is the most emotionally intense of all the colors and is known to raise the heart rate, increase blood pressure, and speed up breathing. It draws the eye so is often used for accents only, although because it also stimulates the appetite it can be a good choice for the walls of a formal dining room (and restaurants).

Yellow speeds the metabolism, enhances concentration, and inspires optimism and happiness. If over-used, however, it can become too stimulating and can instead lead people to become tense and crabby.

Blue One of the most popular "favorite" colors, blue has the opposite effect of red: it calms, relaxes, inspires tranquility, and suppresses appetite. The downside of blue is that it can come off as cold or depressing. Blue is often used in bedrooms and studies.

Green is similar to blue but more versatile. It does not suppress appetite (perhaps because so many foods in nature are green) and in its lighter shades can be both cheerful and relaxing.

Violet is one of the most unpredictable colors in that people react unpredictably to it. It can seem artificial and intense, or very romantic and sophisticated. In general children respond better to shades of purple than adults.

White is bright, fresh, and neutral so it goes with everything. White enhances natural light and makes things appear clean. Too much white, however, can become stark and sterile.

Brown is earthy, warm, and calming. It implies feelings of thickness and strength and pairs well with most other colors.

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Creating that heavenly hallway for your home

UNLESS your front door opens directly onto your living area or another room you can and should make something of the entrance to your home. A well-presented hallway gives a visitor their first impression, welcomes you home every time you've been out, and can even help to sell a property.

Make an impact

As the one area that people pass through rather than spend time in, the hallway is the perfect place to give visitors a glimpse into your personality. Use the hall as somewhere to set the tone for the rest of your house. Display photographs, paintings, a favourite rug and anything else that represents you and your family.

The hallway also offers an opportunity for colour, particularly as white can often be stark and uninviting. Colour can be introduced via wallpaper, fabric (such as curtains, a rug or table linen on a console), a painting or a plant.

Patterned wallpaper works particularly well in a long, narrow hallway or stairwell as it draws the eye away from the length and creates the illusion of width. Not only will it add drama, but you also won't have to worry about it clashing with sofas.

Pay attention to detail

If possible, try to think of the hallway as a room in its own right. As such, treat it with the same care and attention to detail as you would any other room. If there's space, put a chair or a small table there.

It is also an area prone to wear and tear - keep skirting boards painted and keep your walls clean of mucky hand prints on the walls.

Halls also tend to be rich in wall space. Take advantage of this to display photographs, prints and paintings, or hang a large mirror to give the illusion of space.

Also, think classic. Touches such as an umbrella stand or that 20th century hall accessory, the "gossip" bench (a seat and table in one, designed with comfortably using the telephone in mind) will help to give your hall a sense of purpose.

Keep it light

Wall-lights work very well in a hallway. Use tall candle-stick stems with your own choice of lampshade (modern or traditional) for a stylish look. Mirrors will also help available light to go further.

If your hallway has a window, and if space allows, make a feature of this by placing a chair or table underneath. Also, instead of net curtains, consider privet hedges or high window boxes to cover the lower half of the window. This will retain privacy without compromising on aesthetics.

Hints for a heavenly hallway:

• Never use your hallway as a dumping ground. This is the first thing you see when you open the door so keep the hall and stairs tidy and free of clutter at all times.

• If this is where you keep coats and bags, invest in some appropriate storage. There are so many storage options for halls and lobbies now that you will definitely find something to suit your needs. Choose from free-standing coat-racks, fixed individual or a rail of hooks, a shoe rack or high level shelving for hats and bags.

• If doors to other rooms lead off from the hallway, think carefully about the colour scheme to ensure that the eye is easily drawn from one space to the next. One way of seamlessly linking rooms is to keep the wall colours similar, while having different floor coverings to divide the rooms. For example, tiles or wooden flooring in the hall and carpet in the adjoining room.

• Whatever the size or shape of your hallway, your prime concern should be to make it as welcoming as possible. Stand in the doorway and imagine you're walking in for the first time. What needs to change? The colour? Lighting? Flooring'? Or does it simply need to be decluttered?

• Use the space under your stairs wisely. Under-stair cupboards are a useful storage option. Or if there's enough headroom, why not convert the space into a downstairs loo? Apart from the toilet, you only need a small handbasin, a mirror and a towel rail. Ask a plumber for advice and a quote.

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Baby otters make a splash

■ 'UNBELIEVABLY CUTE': The baby otters at Weymouth Sea Life Park

OTTER cubs are delighting visitors to Weymouth Sea Life Adventure Park for the first time in seven years.

The two youngsters are nearly four-and-a-half months but have only recently ventured from the warmth and security of their straw-filled holt.

Their proud parents 12-year-old Jonny and his younger partner Lilly were only introduced to each other in July last year but it was love at first sight.

Park curator Fiona Smith thinks Lilly was pregnant within a month.

She added: "Gestation is only about 60 days, but the cubs were probably already at least a week old by the time we heard the first tell-tale squeaks."

Now the pair are exploring their outdoor enclosure more thoroughly every day.

Fiona said: "One of them is really quite brave and cocky while the other seems to be extremely shy, but neither of them seem prepared to wander too far from mum and dad at the moment."

The cubs, which are Asian short-clawed otters, will not be fully grown until they are about one-year-old and will build their strength and stamina in the meantime with constant play fighting with each other and with mum and dad.

Fiona said: "They are unbelievably cute and have melted the hearts of just about every member of staff."

The lighter coloured otter is Lilly and the darker, larger otter is Jonny. The two babies don't have names yet.

Wildlife Legacy Trail for walkers

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WALKERS have been given details of the new Legacy Trail which will eventually run from Littlemoor in Weymouth to Portland Bill.

A meeting of Wild About Weymouth and Portland at the island's Community 2000 hall heard that the walk will stretch for 22kms.

Co-ordinator Lyn Cooch said that all installations work for the walk was hoped to be completed by the end of May with the walk hopefully open in time for the Olympics in July.

She added: "This walk links Weymouth and Portland through its unique and very varied wildlife sites.

"Walkers will be able to enjoy areas such as the Lorton Valley Nature Park, Weymouth Wetlands, Chesil, the Fleet, the quarries of Portland, the Bill and the Jurassic coastline.

"A number of way points have been developed which will provide an innovative new way to enjoy the coastline and the wonderful views of the area by enabling people to find out more information about what they are looking at.

"Each way point will have a large concrete circle lined with timber with the circle framing a view.

"The bottom of the circle will contain information and it also doubled as a seat for people to sit on."

The circles not only detail views but a variety of wildlife as well from woodpeckers and otters to owls, terns, butterflies, lizards, hares and goats.

■ AN impression of how one of the circled views across Radipole Lake on the new Legacy Trail will look

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Exhibiting the best of Dorset

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DORSET| AN official launch has been held for the 2012 Best of Dorset Show.

The event took place at the Riviera Hotel at Bowleaze which is the main sponsor for the day-long event at Weymouth Pavilion on March 25th.

It with be the 12th year of the show and 2012 will include the Weymouth and Portland 2012 Operations Team who will be on hand to advise on all up to date issues surrounding the Weymouth and Portland Olympic and Paralympic Games Sailing Events.

The Riviera will also be exhibiting and visitors will be able to find out all about the extensively refurbished and upgraded 98-bedroom site.

General manager Kevin Bungay said: "We have the main stand and we are really looking forward to the event.

"We decided to sponsor Best of Dorset because it is a beautiful county and we felt we needed to do everything to support it.

"Our product depends on Dorset both for the food and entertainment we provide and for the local attractions which bring people to stay at our hotel."

The annual leisure show offers Dorset-based attractions, businesses and organisations a unique opportunity to promote their services and facilities to the public and trade at this high profile show.

Each year the Best of Dorset show gives many local exhibitors, performers and entertainers the opportunity to perform and showcase their talents.

More than 1,500 show visitors pack the theatre and performance areas to appreciate the talent of many Dorset based entertainers and bookings for 2012 include WOW Youth Theatre, the Nothe Fort Reenactment group, Ed Hintz, Punch and Judy and community singers.

■ AT the Best of Dorset launch were, from the left, Weymouth visitor manager Lindy Parmley, Riviera general manager Kevin Bungay and Weymouth and Portland events officer Charlie Sheppard

Weymouth's famous tall ship TS Pelican will also be taking part and visitors can welcome her into harbour mid-afternoon and enjoy a free tour of the ship.

Weymouth and Portland tourism spokesman Councillor Andy Blackwood said: "As the country experiences a challenging economic time it makes this show even more significant, a recognisable and important boost for our local economy".

Exhibitors who wish to book a stand can get further details from Charlie Sheppard on 01305-838512. The closing date is February 10th.

Old railway line gets facelift to improve safety for cyclists

WEYMOUTH & DORCHESTER| PART of Weymouth's old through-town railway line could be filled in to improve safety for cyclists.

The measure is included in £387,000 EU funding being given to Dorset County Council for a new cycle route linking Dorset with France to help boost cross-Channel cycle tourism through the Cycle West project.

The 220-mile Petit Tour De Manche will stretch from Cherbourg and St Malo to Jersey, Weymouth, Dorchester and Poole with the Weymouth part of the route linking with the Condor ferry terminal.

Part of the work will fill in the railway lines between Custom House Quay and Westham Bridge to stop cyclists getting their wheels caught between the lines and also to cut the risk of machines skidding on the slippery metal surface.

Cyclists had a chance to put their views forward on the route idea at a public exhibition in Weymouth Library.

Among those who visited the exhibition was Preston cyclist Simon Roaf who said he thought the new cycle route was a very good idea.

■ SIMON Roaf at the exhibition

He added: "I am involved with Explorer Scouts for 14 to 18-year-olds and tackling a cycle route like this over to France and back to Dorset would be ideal for them becaue it would go towards their expedition badge."

Students fight for place on UK Youth Parliament

DORCHESTER| TWO Dorchester school students are fighting for places on the UK Youth Parliament.

Cameron Dabbs and Ben Macklin, both from St Osmunds Middle School will be vying with ten others from schools across the county for three places on the forum for 11-18-year-olds.

The results of the elections are expected in the second week of February.

Official ballot boxes and polling booths are provided at each school this week to allow voting to take place. The successful candidates will have opportunities throughout the year to meet with MPs and local councillors to discuss issues and represent the voice of young people.

Dorset County Council cabinet member for children's services Toni Coombs said: "With three MYP members currently covering Dorset the elections are a great way for young people to learn about, and be involved in, local issues and the way young people are involved in national issues.

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■ KEN Francis on the lifeboat bridge

■ THORNLOW Prepartory School choir sing at the open day

All aboard the lifeboat

■ ROBERT Hunter, 9, tries out the wheelhouse

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PEOPLE clambered all over Weymouth Lifeboat when the town's station held a special fundraising day as part of the RNLI's national S.O.S. Day.

A variety of events were held including the all weather and inshore lifeboats both being open to the public.

Other attractions included Thornlow Preparatory School choir, dramatic videos of recent rescues by Weymouth's lifeboat, refreshments and photo sessions for visitors dressed in lifeboat gear.

Station spokesman Ken Francis said: "We were amazed and very grateful at the huge amount of support we received throughout the day.

"The place was packed and all money we raised during the day will go to general lifeboat funds."

Wartime HMS Foylebank survivor dies, aged 97

THE FINAL surviving crewman of a fierce 1940 German bombing raid on Portland has died at the age of 97.

Ernest Pettitford of Weymouth was on board the legendary converted anti-aircraft ship HMS Foylebank when she was attacked by Stuka dive bombers.

Nearly 80 men died but the action went down in history because of the bravery of Jack Mantle who was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross for continuing to fight at his post despite suffering terrible injuries.

Mr Pettitford, an engineering artificer, suffered many burns after he was caught up in the action which turned the Foylebank into an inferno.

He was lucky enough to survive the incident and died recently in Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester.

The Christian Column

AS I SEE IT ...
by Geoff Treleaven

Golden windows

AS I look out of my study window at certain times, I can see in the distance a house with windows that dazzle with their brilliance.

Having read the story about the house with the golden windows, I know the likelihood of my own home appearing the same when viewed from a different perspective.

When we have a low time, it is so easy to imagine that others are much better off than we are. It is true that the grass looks greener on the other side of the fence. But close up, we see its imperfections which might be worse than our own.

Parents can do their child a terrible disservice by being forever critical if their achievements fall short of expectations. To be told that they were really not wanted is even worse. But it does happen.

I was recently talking to someone who still suffers from the stigma of constant failure implanted as a child. However, as a Christian, they do know they are valued by God and that makes all the difference.

As windows reflect the sun, so we as Christians can reflect the Son of God in our lives. ***(See 2 Corinthians 3:18).***

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Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

An obvious chain reaction!

WEYMOUTH and Portland boat owners are being urged not to dump their toilet contents into the harbour as part of the world's biggest health campaign for the Olympics and Paralympics.

Laudable though it is to guard against an epidemic of infectious diseases during this sporting Blue Ribbon event, I'm bound to say that once again this initiative smacks of overkill and the nanny state.

Can there possibly be a single boat owner anywhere in the world never mind just in Weymouth and Portland who genuinely believes it is OK to dump their toilet contents into a public harbour?

If there is then they deserve everything the law can throw at them, but I feel this whole campaign smacks a little of the authorities covering their backsides and by getting, what an old colleague of mine once described as "ten out of ten for stating the bleeding obvious"!

Sadly, in these days of litigation, the authorities clearly feel they need to state the obvious.

At the risk of a pun, I feel this whole scenario of warning against every little thing that might go wrong is something of a chain reaction.

So, which coloured bin does this go in?

LAW changes are being proposed by the Government to prevent people in Weymouth, Portland and other communities being fined for minor breaches of bin collection rules.

Putting waste in the wrong bins or - heaven forbid - putting bins out on the wrong day have risked fines of up to £1,000 for these innocent mistakes although local authorities claim few such fines have actually been levied.

If the Government gets its way and stops such fines it will surely not be before time.

I speak with considerably greater authority on the issue than most people since I am colour blind for green and brown and the bins just happen to be coloured green and brown!

Of course, I've done the intelligent thing and told myself not to look at the bins in terms of colour but in terms of their size since one bin is noticeably bigger than the other and I can distinguish them in that way.

But this is all about innocent mistakes being punished and I freely admit that lugging bins out late at night or early in the morning ready for collection is often done on auto pilot and sometimes I've put the wrong bin out.

Fortunately I have a wife who I have been able to send to weight training classes and she now puts the bins out, which solves my problem of which bin to choose, but it still leaves what waste should go in which bin. Not as easy as you'd think.

OK, so the remains of madame's Duck a l'Orange avec carbon can safely be consigned to the food waste bin but what receptacle takes small clear plastic boxes and empty soya milk cartons?

We've put them out on many occasions, seen them collected, seen them left and finally been told we have to put them out in household waste for landfill because they can't be recycled, despite both types of waste actually carrying a stamp that they are suitable for recycling.

Confusing, isn't it, and if you are confused then the potential prospect of being fined if you get it honestly wrong doesn't make your choice of wheelie bin any easier.

So, for once, I think the Government has got it right although I'll save the applause until the law is actually changed.

After all, there's many a slip twixt cup and tip!

Seems a bicycle can be anything you want it to be

IF the giant penny farthing is now no more than a quirk of history then it doesn't mean to say that cycling innovation has developed a puncture.

Living proof of that shot by me on Chickerell Road, turning heads for the brief period the object was in view.

And why not? When was the last time you saw a cyclist, legs pumping like pistons, but with his body horizontal with the cross bar of his machine?

This was a bicycle and a half, one where leg power was exerted forwards rather than downwards, and it certainly could shift a bit because it was outstripping the cars behind it albeit downhill.

Other recent cycling eye-stoppers seen around town have included one with two wheels so thin they seemed to have almost been made from paper, folding bikes and even the iconic cast iron butcher's boy bike complete with wicker basket at the front. It seems the bicycle can be pretty much anything you want it to be.

Meet the Operatic society

WEYMOUTH Operatic Society is holding an open evening workshop so people can go along and see what they do.

The event on February 23rd will be held at Hope Church near Brewers Quay with teacher and show director Martine Burt.

She said that enthusiasm was more important than vocal, movement or acting ability which tended to improve with practice and confidence.

She urged men not to be shy and said the group would welcome more men in its ranks.

Martine added: "We are always needing backstage help, moving scenery, props, assisting cast, prompting, running the raffle and more.

"The evening will be all about fun. As long as you are over 15, come and have a play and enjoy a glass of wine or a cuppa with us. The evening is free."

WOS performs concerts in Hope Church and musicals in the Pavilion and its next concert is HMS Pinafore from May 9th-11th. The next show will be Fiddler on the Roof from September 19th-22nd. More details are available on 01305-812268.

Blue Remembers Hills

WEYMOUTH Drama Club's next production will be the Dennis Potter play, Blue Remembered Hills.

Originally written for television, this deceptively simple tale relates to the activities of seven West Country seven- year-olds on a summer afternoon during the Second World War.

The action takes place in a wood, a field and a barn and the children, all played by adult actors, play, fight, fantasise and swagger, their aggressions, fears, hostilities and rivalries, showing a microcosm of child-adult-child interaction.

Blue Remembered Hills is directed by Cherry Bush and is being performed at The Warehouse Theatre, 7 Hope Street, Weymouth at 7.45pm from Thursday, February 23rd-25th.

Tickets are all £8 (no concessions) and can be bought via the website www.weymouthdramaclub.co.uk. Follow the link for the box office information and future productions.

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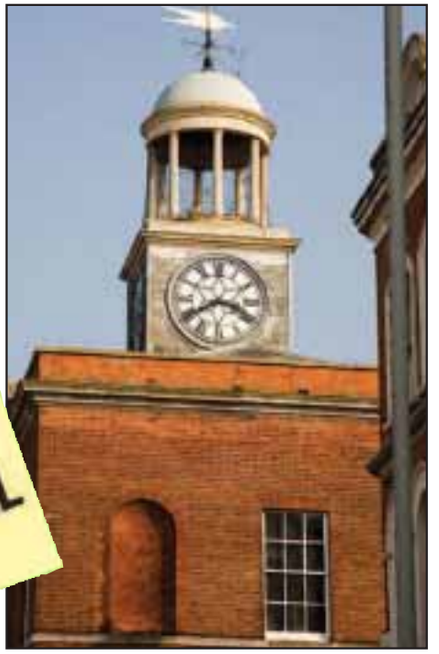

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Coast path opens

WEYMOUTH| WALKERS are now enjoying the first 20-mile section of a proposed England Coastal Path which has just opened from Rufus Castle on Portland to Lulworth Cove.

It boasts views of the London 2012 Olympic sailing events area at Weymouth and Portland, but two sections of the path will be closed for Olympic security reasons between mid-July and mid-September.

Ramblers welcomed the opening and said they hoped other sections of the path would follow as there are concerns at the pace of work to complete the project, which received Royal Assent in 2009.

New toys for children's ward

WEYMOUTH & DORCHESTER| CUSTOMERS and staff at a Weymouth fish and chip shop are putting a smile on the faces of youngsters at the county hospital's Kingfisher Ward.

Toys, personal DVD players, games and musical equipment have been handed over to the ward as a result of the proceeds of a counter collection box at Alf's Fish and Chips.

More than £200 was raised from the shop's customers.

Higher education open day

DORCHESTER| KINGSTON Maurward College is holding a higher education open day this Sunday, February 5th.

The college, on the outskirts of Dorchester, offers a range of subjects from agricultural to business administration and sports coaching.

The taster day takes place from 10am until 1pm and will include lectures, tours and practical sessions.

Free transport is offered from a number of locations for Higher Education courses only.

Further details, or to book a place, call 01305 215177.

Frogs jump to life

by Trevor Bevins
trevorbevins@gmail.com

DORSET| FROGS ought to be freezing in February – but this year they are beginning to spawn throughout Dorset.

Dorset Wildlife Trust says evidence of unseasonably early activity is everywhere.

Large numbers of frogs and newts have already been seen at Dorset Wildlife Trust's Urban Wildlife Centre, suggesting that it's time to look out for the first spawn in your garden pond.

Steve Davis, Volunteering Manager at Dorset Wildlife Trust, was checking the ponds last week after an evening event when he saw two frogs surrounded by up to 50 smooth newts.

He said: "The larger pond had lots of frog activity including a very large frog that looked ready to spawn. Driving home I had to stop twice to let frogs hop out in front of me. When I got home there was a frog sat in my parking space."

He says that frogs sometime hide at the bottom of a pond or burrow into mud or a pile of logs, as do newts, so they can maintain their body temperature and metabolic rate when food and heat sources are scarce.

But even if you do find early frog spawn only around one in 50 of the eggs will become a froglet, with pond predators including fish, dragonfly larvae and newts to contend with.

Those that do become froglets could then face garden predators such as grass snakes, blackbirds, crows, magpies, hedgehogs, foxes and badgers.

Steve Davis advises against moving frogs, which will naturally find suitable ponds: "By picking up any amphibians you are potentially spreading diseases and also there might be very good reasons why some ponds do not have amphibians."

The trust say that garden ponds are increasingly important for the survival of frogs, toads and newts, and digging a garden pond is one of the best ways to help wildlife.

Sponsored cycle ride

DORCHESTER| DORCHESTER'S Weldmar Hospicecare Trust is looking for adventurous people to cycle from London to Paris in June.

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"The sense of achievement you'll experience will be one you'll treasure forever."

The trip is to take place from the 6th to 10th June with another planned for 11th-15th July 2012 which will include cycling into Paris on Bastille Day.

Further details in an information pack are available from the hospice office on 01305 215320 or by emailing sue.leighton@weld-hospice.org.uk.

Mental health care

WEYMOUTH| PROPOSALS on urgent care mental health services for Weymouth, Portland and West Dorset were discussed at a special talk.

The event at the Crossroads Centre in Weymouth heard from clinical services development manager Joanna Nielson who said local health services were looking to develop community based services.

She added: "When a person is in a mental crisis we try and respond as quickly as possible by providing a range of choices which will fit the needs of that person.

"This talk helped gather service users' and carers' thoughts on what we are trying to do."

Anyone unable to attend the meeting but who would like to put their views forward can do so by contacting Joanna on joanna.nielson@dhuft.nhs.uk.

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View 2

The ultimate leisure guide for Dorset

Reggae legend Jimmy Cliff among first Camp Bestival 2012 acts announced

Hot Chip, Chic + Nile Rodgers, Rizzle Kicks, Kool & The Gang, and much more also on the bill for the Lulworth-based festival

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Sailing academy to host the Outdoor Show

THE UK's number one sailing destination, the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) will be hosting The Outdoor Show on March 31st which will showcase a fantastic range of outdoor and have-a-go activities, equipment as well as special guest speakers and more.

Entry is free and visitors are invited to the Academy for a fun-filled action-packed day which runs from 10am until 4pm.

The event will feature a variety of exhibitors including Weymouth Watersports, Weymouth College, Sail Laser, The Official Test Centre Windsurfing Made Easy, Sunsail, PGL Active, Geo Caching, Wessex Mountaineering Club, Weymouth Bike Hire, New Forest Activities Booking Centre, Pelican Adventures, Studland Sea School, Portland Revive, Westfield Arts College, Land & Wave Outdoor Centre, Mud Sweat & Gears, National Trust, BustinSkins Triathlons & other sporting events to name just a few!

Attractions from the show will be taster sessions in the form of sailing, windsurfing, surf-ski paddling, stand up paddle boarding and even a mobile climb wall. Other show attractions include bike demos, a skate park and battle fields. The majority of these fantastic activities will be free whilst others will have a small fee associated to them.

The show is also the perfect opportunity to sample a sport that has been taking the country by storm. The Academy are welcoming anyone and everyone to try stand up paddle boarding and learn what it's all about. Thanks to the paddle, the sport is not nearly as strength-sapping as being on a surfboard and being constantly pummelled by walls of white water, making it ideal for young and old alike.

John Tweed, Chief Executive at the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, commented; "Our aim of hosting this event is to draw local businesses and clubs together and show our support for the local sports industry, along with our passion to enhance and develop the industry in our local area, by offering an affordable family fun day out."

For further information please call Georgina Lee organiser of the outdoor show on 01305 866 003 if you have any questions relating to the Outdoor Show or georgina.lee@wpnsa.org.uk.

At the cinema...

THE ARTIST

Review by James Clark ★★★★★

AT THE top of the critics' lists and the biggest Oscar bait for 2012's awards season is Paris born director Michel Hazanavicius' sublime film ***The Artist***. Shot entirely in black and white, the story follows George Valentin, a cock sure, hugely successful silent film star in Hollywood in the late 1920s. Valentin's conflict comes upon the advent of talkies in the motion picture industry. Younger stars are hogging the limelight and Valentin is reduced to a has been; a personification of the destruction of silent cinema and artistry on the screen. It is for newcomer Peppy Miller, played with grace and sincerity by Argentinean beauty Berenice Bejo, to help Valentin to overcome his hubris at being rejected from the industry and shine once again on screen in a new age of cinema.

Arguably not since Gene Kelly and Stanley Donen's Singin' in the rain 60 years ago has a film about dance, artistry and the history of the cinema left such an indelible, lasting image on the screen and in our hearts. From Ludovic Bource's beautiful score, both uplifting and melancholic in equal measure, to the faultless performances of the film's leads, including an extraordinary Jack Russell dog, to the sumptuous cinematography that paints an incredible picture of the passion of filmmaking and originality in 1920s Hollywood, it is easy to see why people are falling for The Artist.

In an industry saturated with endless sequels and tired clichés, here is a reminder not only of the beauty and effectiveness of a simple narrative, but of the reason why we love going to the movies. A welcome and long overdue return for the silent era, arguably the most audacious and original period in the history of film. Hollywood take note. Let's have more of the same.

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

"The poet's job is to put into words those feelings we all have that are so deep, so important, and yet so difficult to name, to tell the truth in such a beautiful way, that people cannot live without it." Jane Kenyon

FEBRUARY: THINKING OF FLOWERS

Now wind torments the field,
turning the white surface back
on itself, back and back on itself,
like an animal licking a wound.

Nothing but white--the air, the light;
only one brown milkweed pod
bobbing in the gully, smallest
brown boat on the immense tide.

A single green sprouting thing
would restore me. . . .

Then think of the tall delphinium,
swaying, or the bee when it comes
to the tongue of the burgundy lily.

Our poems this week are all by Jane Kenyon, who died of leukaemia in 1995, at the age of 47. In 1972, at the University of Michigan, she earned an M.A. and also married a fellow-student and fellow-poet, Donald Hall. This next poem was featured in the film "In Her Shoes".

LET EVENING COME

Let the light of late afternoon
shine through chinks in the barn, moving
up the bales as the sun moves down.

Let the cricket take up chafing
as a woman takes up her needles
and her yarn. Let evening come.

Let dew collect on the hoe abandoned
in long grass. Let the stars appear
and the moon disclose her silver horn.

Let the fox go back to its sandy den.
Let the wind die down. Let the shed
go black inside. Let evening come.

To the bottle in the ditch, to the scoop
in the oats, to air in the lung
let evening come.

Let it come, as it will, and don't
be afraid. God does not leave us
comfortless, so let evening come.

Jane lived in New Hampshire and became the state's poet laureate. She had four books of her poetry published in her lifetime and a fifth collection appeared in 1996.

HAPPINESS

There's just no accounting for happiness,
or the way it turns up like a prodigal
who comes back to the dust at your feet
having squandered a fortune far away.

And how can you not forgive?
You make a feast in honor of what
was lost, and take from its place the finest
garment, which you saved for an occasion
you could not imagine, and you weep night and day
to know that you were not abandoned,
that happiness saved its most extreme form for you alone.

No, happiness is the uncle you never
knew about, who flies a single-engine plane
onto the grassy landing strip, hitchhikes
into town, and inquires at every door
until he finds you asleep midafternoon
as you so often are during the unmerciful
hours of your despair.

It comes to the monk in his cell.
It comes to the woman sweeping the street
with a birch broom, to the child
whose mother has passed out from drink.
It comes to the lover, to the dog chewing
a sock, to the pusher, to the basket maker,
and to the clerk stacking cans of carrots in the night.
It even comes to the boulder
in the perpetual shade of pine barrens,
to rain falling on the open sea,
to the wineglass, weary of holding wine.

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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

BRIDPORT: Bridport International Folk Dancing Club at 7.45pm in the British Legion Hall, Victoria Grove. Beginners are welcome - prior knowledge is not required as all dances will be taught by a local enthusiast. Telephone for more details on 01308 423442

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3RD

LYME REGIS: Meet The Author lunch with Stewart Binns at the Alexandra Hotel from 12.30pm - 3pm. £26.50 per head. Includes 2 course lunch and signed copy of 'Conquest' the best-selling debut historical novel of 2011. To book email events@hotelalexandra.co.uk or call 01297 442010.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

BRIDPORT: "Three Days Late" Ceilidh with 'Jigs for Gigs' and Jane Thomas calling, in Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South St. Bring and Share (finger food) supper. Soft drinks provided, bring your own beer/wine (Woodman Inn just opposite). 7.30-11pm. Tickets £8.00 on door; £7.00 in advance from Jaxsons Delicatessen, West St., Bridport, or reserve by phone 01308 423442 or email: monty3dayslate@yahoo.co.uk

MARTINSTOWN: Martinstown Cricket Club holding a Jumble Sale at the village hall from 2pm. All profits will go to the club funds. Admission is 20p and refreshments will be available.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 6TH

DORCHESTER: U3A Monthly Meeting Including a talk by Local JP's: 'Magistrates in the Community'. Coffees/teas available. Limited parking. All retired/semi-retired welcome. 10am-12noon, at the Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Culliford Road North. Telephone 01305 250347 for more details.

BRIDPORT: Folk Dancing Club at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. No partner or previous experience required. Admission £2. Call 01308 863 552 or 01308 458 165 for more details.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 9TH

DORCHESTER: Plant Heritage Dorset Group present 'The Shady Garden' - an illustrated talk by planting designer and consultant Alan Edmondson. A welcome return by a first class speaker on how to deal with that problem shady area. The talk takes place in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College, near Dorchester at 7.30pm. Visitors are welcome (£2.50 at the door). Details are available by calling 01305 772 533 or by visiting the NCCPG website.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 13TH

BRIDPORT: Folk Dancing Club at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. No partner or previous experience required. Admission £2. Call 01308 863 552 or 01308 458 165 for more details.

WEYMOUTH: Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society start their new year with an illustrated talk by Clive Groves entitled 'The Secret World of Violets'. Nurseryman Clive holds the National Collection of Viola odorata and Parmas and is an internationally recognised expert on the genus. Members and visitors are welcome to the meeting which is held at 7.30pm at Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane, Weymouth. Call 01305 772533 for more details.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

BRIDPORT: LETS (Local Exchange Trading System) AGM at WI Hall in North Street at 6.30pm. Tracey Smith, author of the book 'Rubbish Ideas' will be there to give an entertaining talk. All welcome. Call 01297 560014 for more details.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17TH

BROADMAYNE: Market from 2 - 3.30pm, at St Martin's Community Hall (next to the Church). Raffle, craft, plants, books, Jigsaws Cards, Local Sausages, Lamb & eggs, Local watercress,cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

FRIDAY MARCH 9TH

SHERBORNE: 'The Knicker Lady'. 7.30pm at the Gryphon School Conference Centre, Bristol Road, Sherborne DT4 9EQ in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare. Tickets £20 each to include glass of wine & canapés, call 01305 215320 or book online at www.weld-hospice .org.uk/knickerlady

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 14TH

DORCHESTER: A Musical Evening with Weymouth Operatic Society in the United Church from 7.30pm. In aid of the Samaritans of Dorset. Tickets cost £6.50 and are available by calling 01305 265 575 or on the door.

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Pantomime Players get ready for Sinbad

AN ADAPTATION of the pantomime Sinbad is currently under rehearsal at Dorchester's United Church.

The production, by the United Church Pantomime Players, will be staged between the February 23rd and 25th at 7pm on each day, with a matinee at 2.30pm on the 25th.

Tickets are now on sale at The Gallery, Charles Street. They cost £4 for adults, £2.50 for children with the option of a family ticket for two adults and up to three children for £12.

Busy month ahead for Dorchester's Trinity Club

BALLROOM dancing and bingo feature at Dorchester's Trinity Club on weekends throughout February.

Other events during the month include a live band and several quiz sessions.

On Saturday 4th the club has a quiz and bingo from 8.30pm with a similar session on the 18th.

Jenny will be performing on Sunday 5th with a Country Night on Saturday 11th and live band Pale Trail on Sunday 12th. A week later, on the 19th the club has Stephen's Roadshow and on the 26th John Hickman.

Zumbathon this Saturday

FITNESS and fundraising will go hand in hand at a special Zumbathon class in Dorchester on Saturday, February 4th.

Fans of the energetic dance workout are being invited to pitch up and pay £5 to join Zumba teacher Olivia Jones for a session at Herrison Hall, Charlton Down, with money raised going to Julia's House. It will run between 10.30am and midday and you must be aged 11 or over to take part.

HATS TO HANDBAGS

HATS to Handbags is the title of a new exhibition currently being prepared at Dorset County Museum.

The exhibition, of women's fashion accessories, will run from Monday, February 13th to mid-April.

The exhibition will feature the museum's costume and textile collection to show what was worn, made and bought in Dorset from the eighteenth century onwards.

Illustrating how fashions adapted to keep pace with the change in women's lives, the exhibition covers the history of women's fashion in shoes, bags, gloves, fans and parasols.

Visitors will be able to look at traditional workmanship of decorative accessories, inspired by Paris and London designs, which were largely hand-made and exclusive to the elite until industrialization in the nineteenth century allowed mass production and distribution to every local high street.

From their origins as functional items of protection against the elements, accessories have become fashion essentials, often achieving cult status as indicators of class and wealth.

Hats, handbags, shoes, gloves, parasols and fans have evolved to adorn, flatter, disguise and complete the 'look' of an outfit.

The Museum says that as previous textile exhibitions have proved popular, this one is also expected to appeal to local audiences and more widely to specialist groups interested in the history of textile, stitch and costume.

In addition to the exhibition, the Museum is holding a Hats to Handbags Day School on Saturday, March 31st. Tickets cost £15 per person and are available now from the Museum shop.

WHITE satin ladies shoe with thick-waisted 'Louis' heel. Embroidered with silk thread. Circa 1720.

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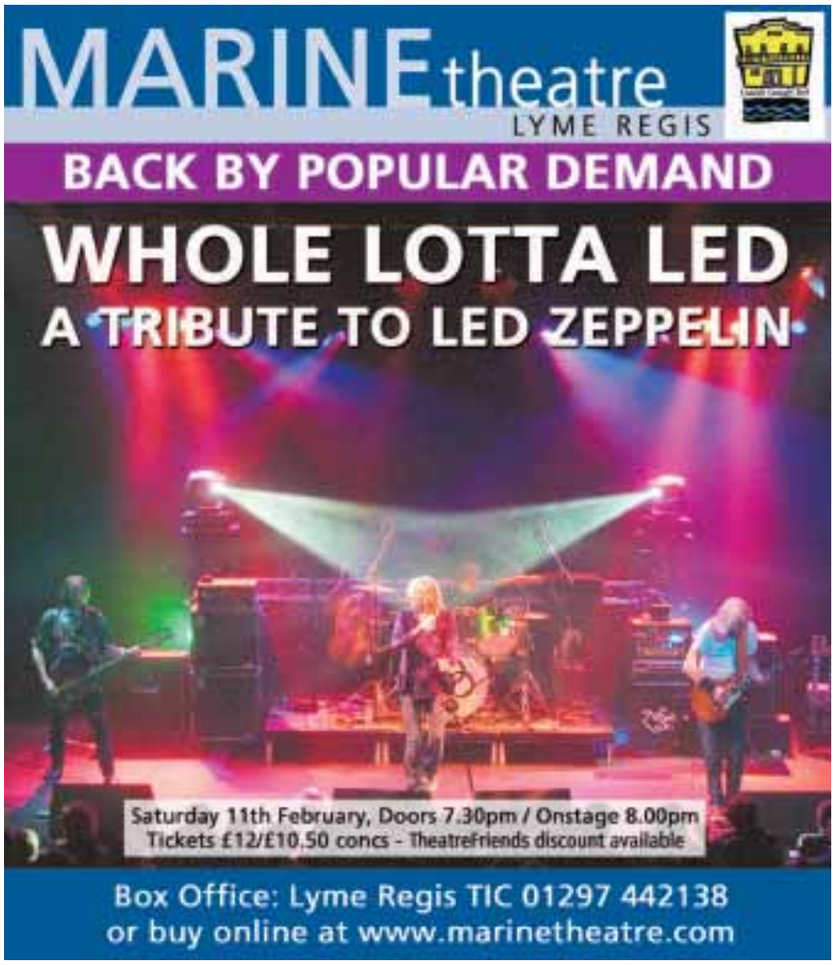

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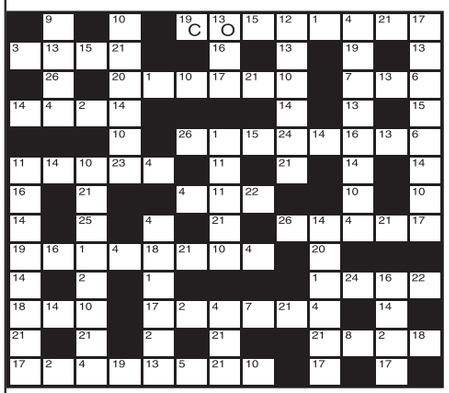
Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

3. Almost begin to embark - that's right (9)
8. Give a hand signal when this approaches the shore (4)
9. Learning to recognise a foothold on the mountain (9)
10. A kind that is made to sally (6)
11. One who sums up the scaly creature (5)
14. Change the level of the shafts, we hear (5)
15. Depression for the theologian, by the sound of it (4)
16. Just the thing for the high-stepper (5)
18. Cramped accommodation may well be barred (4)
20. Too early for the Mayflower? (5)
21. It would be carried by the chairmen (5)
24. Show off the United Nations in uninteresting surroundings (6)
25. Split completely in a sorrowful way (9)
26. Small piece of land mentioned in Marconi's letters (4)
27. One who faces the wall (9)

Down

1. Frightened by an undefined article, we refused to work (3-6)
2. Charges too much? (9)
4. Subtle blending provides quality of sound (4)
5. Went boating and fell out! (5)
6. What the abbot expects to be, as far as holy orders are concerned! (6)
7. Right time of life for passion (4)
9. Birds whose flight is ground-controlled? (5)
11. Though born elsewhere, he produces a legal right to retention of property (5)
12. Turned up in a nosy way (9)
13. Facts that place genuine restrictions about one (9)
17. Agree with the amount scored (5)
19. Acquires 9 Across (6)
22. Ill-treatment for Lincoln around America (5)
23. Timber transaction (4)
24. Escape from most of the Navy (4)

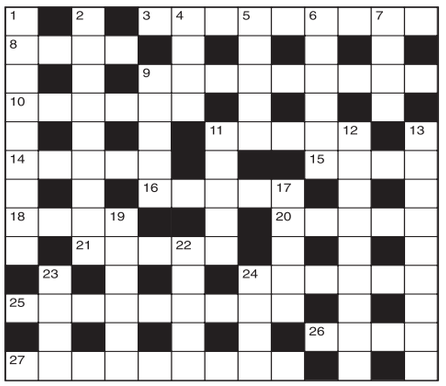
Quick Clues:

Across

3. Escort (9)
8. Merit (4)
9. Monarch (9)
10. Stress (6)
11. Lift (5)
14. Bisect (5)
15. Level (4)
16. Harvests (5)
18. Not any (4)
20. Trunk (5)
21. Late (5)
24. Charcoal (6)
25. Incessant (9)
26. Brink (4)
27. Recovers (9)

Down

1. Loud hailer (9)
2. Ferocious (9)
4. Diving bird (4)
5. Musical drama (5)
6. Delight (6)
7. Near (4)
9. Derisive smile (5)
11. Willing (5)
12. All (9)
13. Meet (9)
17. Purloin (5)
19. Christian festival (6)
22. Thick (5)
23. Belt (4)
24. Tend (4)



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Sock; 3 Herdsman; 8 Rank; 9 Hostages; 11 Keeping watch; 13 Notice; 14 Stupor; 17 Strawberries; 20 Headgear; 21 Tale; 22 Paladins; 23 Lent. Down: 1 Striking; 2 Contest; 4 Enough; 5 Detractors; 6 Magic; 7 Nose; 10 Discharged; 12 Crescent; 15 Private; 16 Obtain; 18 Trail; 19 Whip. QUICK - Across: 1 Pick; 3 Advocate; 8 Same; 9 Flatness; 11 Illegitimate; 13 Luxury; 14 Escape; 17 Presentiment; 20 Original; 21 Fame; 22 Preceded; 23 News. Down: 1 Possibly; 2 Complex; 4 Delete; 5 Optimistic; 6 Alert; 7 Easy; 10 Aggressive; 12 Restless; 15 Average; 16 Insane; 18 Raise; 19 Pomp.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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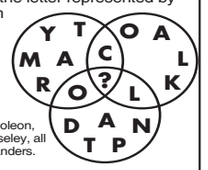
Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is L. Napoleon, Cromwell, Wolseley, all military commanders.

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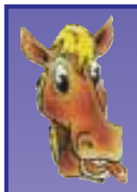

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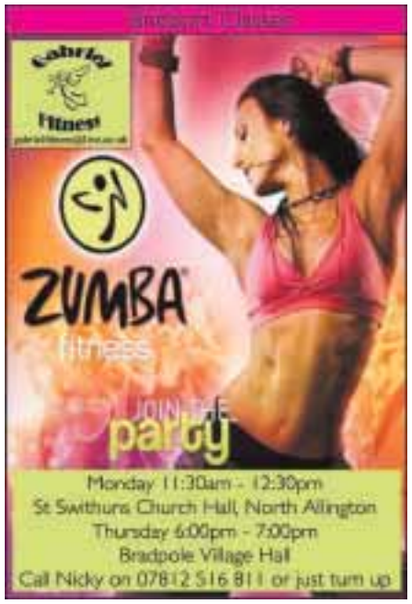

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First acts announced for Camp Bestival 2012

Hot Chip, Jimmy Cliff, Kool & The Gang, Little Dragon, Chic, Rizzle Kicks, Earth Wind & Fire, and more confirmed for Lulworth festival's 5th outing

Festi-holiday frolics ahoy! The time has come to unveil the first of the magical treats the Camp Bestival team have in store for the festival, taking place from July 26th - 29th this year. As always there will be a top-notch musical line-up at the best family festival holiday around, but that's not the only thing that will be keeping you on your toes. Bang on theme (as always), the team will be hosting their own Olympic shindig with a screening of the opening ceremony live in the Big Top on Friday night complete with a Camp B torch! And regular favourites Lost & Found will also be back as the loveable Camp Bestival Bluecoats to host the 2012 Silly Olympics. From pea shot-put to their signature binocular football, you'll be going Olympics-crazy for their games! And, as ever, Lulworth Castle will be brimming with incredible spectacles, moments of pure joy, amazing food, luxury camping and tons of fun for all the family with over 100 free things for kids to do plus lots and lots of brand new attractions at our landmark fifth Camp Bestival!

HEADLINERS | Hot Chip will close out Friday

The first musical announcements for Camp Bestival 2012 see Hot Chip making their debut headline appearance. Things are set to get funky on Saturday night with Camp Bestival's Saturday Night Fever - a disco spectacular the likes of which has never been seen on Dorset's Jurassic coastline - with Kool & The Gang dropping the Jungle Boogie; Chic feat Nile Rodgers taking us on an epic journey through one of the most booty-shaking back catalogues known to man – and there will be dazzling glitterball behaviour from the Earth Wind & Fire Experience feat Al McKay.

FUN FOR THE KIDS | Mr Tumble

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND | The Gruffalo

It's not all about our astounding music line-up though because there are plenty of other festival exclusives, including the one and only Mr Tumble, Fantastic Mr Fox, plus Shrek and Princess Fiona from Shrek The Musical will be making a spectacular return exclusively at Camp Bestival! Better yet, this time they will be bringing their wise-cracking sidekick Donkey with them for an exclusive Camp Bestival sing-a-long!

The Gruffalo show is also back by unprecedented demand, with a magical theatrical adventure on Sunday morning on the Castle Stage. Being 747 will be performing their new scientific rock opera 'The Clockwork Universe' and ther'll also be masters of slapstick comedy The Bopps! (featuring Housemartins founder Stan Cullimore).

In yet another festival exclusive, the lovely people at English National Ballet have chosen Camp Bestival as their favourite festival and will be coming back for the fourth time to host brilliant ballet classes and much more!

But back to the music. With a jam-packed weekend on the cards there be live performance aplenty with a staggering line-up that includes reggae legend Jimmy Cliff, Brightonian hip-hop wonderkids Rizzle Kicks, Adam Ant & The Good The Mad & The Lovely Posse, plus Little Dragon, Bellowhead, Totally Enormous Extinct Dinosaurs, The Cuban Brothers, Breakfast With Henry (Henry Rollins Spoken Word), Deliliah, Spector, Lianne La Havas, Stooshe, P Money, Youngman, Jaipur Kawa Brass Band, Dub Pistols, DJ Yoda & The Transiberian Marching Band, Jaipur Kawa Circus, Clement Marfo & The Frontline, Scroobius Pip, Random Impulse, Frankie Rose, Liz Green, 3 Bonzos And A Piano, Prince Fatty, We Were Evergreen, Gabrielle Aplin, 2:54, Pearl And The Beard, Blues Brothers UK, Emily Barker & The Red Clay Halo, The Moonflowers, Mr B The Gentleman Rhymer, Duke Special, This Is The Kit and Folk Idol presents The Folk Olympics.

BRINGING BACK THE FUNK | Guitar icon Nile Rodgers and Chic will return to Camp Bestival

TOO KOOL | Kool & The Gang

Warm & Electric Minds will be teaming up to present DJ sets from Horse Meat Disco, The Revenge, Mark E., Tim Goldsworthy, Auntie Flo and Warm & Electric Minds residents. We're also incredibly excited to announce David Rodigan MBE Presents Ram Jam! Plus there will be lots of hands in the air escapades from The Japanese Popstars, Jaguar Skills and his Amazing Friends, Camo & Krooked, Greg Wilson, Zed Bias, Shellac Collective, Mosca, Ben UFO, Stopmakingme and the Balearic Brothers to keep the party rolling.

INIMITABLE | Adam Ant

Other entertainment for the festival includes the amazing new Wall of Death where 'Hell Riders' will astonish you with their terrifying motorbike tricks, zooming in circles around their vertical Wall of Death whilst barely holding on!

Wookey Hole Circus (all under the age of 18) are an unbelievably gifted bunch making their Camp Bestival debut in 2012, plus Square Peg Circus will be performing their new spectacular outdoor show, 'Rime'.

There will also be the very first Summer Panto: Beauti and the Beast of Lulworth Castle! Another Camp Bestival premiere is the brand new Roundhouse Street Variety Show a specially devised show featuring 20 young performers (all aged 12 - 16 years) who have created a variety show like no other!

Camp Bestival wouldn't be the same without bedtime stories from the wonderful Howard Marks, so be sure to rally the kids into sleepy-mode with the help of his dulcet Welsh tones.

DOWN WITH THE TRUMPETS | Rizzle Kicks

And when all that fun gets too much and you're in need of a glorious oasis of calm, look no further than the newly expanded healing area, Soul Bird Gardens, with massages, wood-fired hot tubs, relaxation and meditation with the David Lynch Foundation.

With so much amazing stuff going on (and lots more still to announce) you'll have to hurry to make sure you grab your tickets for this year's Camp Bestival. Amazingly, everyone who buys their Early Bird tickets before February 8th will be entered into a spectacular Camp Bestival Tombola with 100 prizes to be won, from a Luxury Furnished Tipi in the Boutique Campsite to lots of Sunday Best goodie bags.

And don't forget to check www.campbestival.net for all the up to the minute news about the fifth Camp Bestival!

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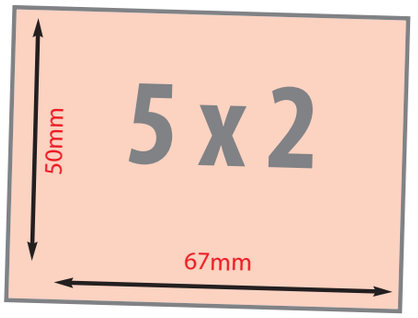

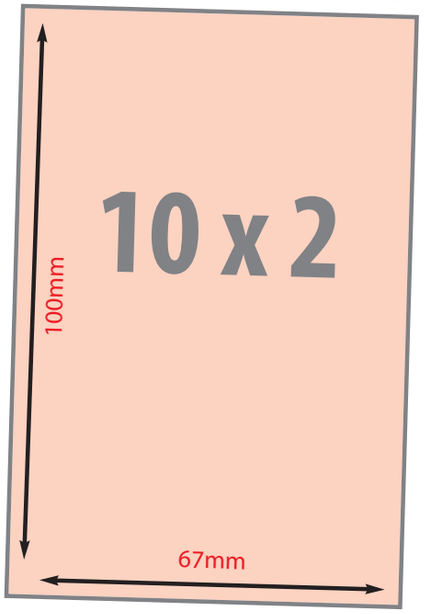

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2003 03 AUDI TT 1.8 T Quattro [225] 2 Door Coupe, Silver, 58,000 Miles, 225 BHP, 6 Speed Manual Gearbox, Full Leather Interior, RCL, Front EW, E/H Mirrors, ABS, FSH, TC, CCAC, Power Steering, Drivers Airbag, Passenger Airbag, Alloy Wheels, 2 Year Warranty, New MOT, Service, Full Valet £8,791

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QUARTER FINAL SHOCK FOR ISLANDERS

Improvement - but Weymouth beaten at Oxford City

Dorset U18 0 Devon 1
Saturday, January 21st
S&W Counties Championship
Mick Parry Memorial Trophy – Semi Final
(at Portland United FC)

THE DORSET under 18s squad (Including Dorchester Town duo Aston Butcher and Will Gape and Matt Harvey, Charlie Holland and Jamie Perry from Weymouth), crashed out of the Mick Parry Memorial Trophy at the semi-final stage , losing by the only goal of the game at a very windy New Grove Corner.

Dorset played the first-half with the strong wind in their faces, however you would not have known as Dorset had far more possession and chances, whilst limiting Devon to two shots in the first-half.

Oscar Tilley was the first to threaten the Devon goal, his header from Dan Way's left wing cross just going over the bar.

On 18 minutes Sam Bayston cut in from the right before sending a shot narrowly wide of the post.

Prior to the interval Will Gape should have done better with a free header, the same player though was unlucky to see a powerful shot brilliantly saved by Rob Powell in the visitors' goal, five minutes later.

The wind eased slightly in the second-half but Dorset continued on the offensive, Satterly, Tilley and Way all went close for the hosts, Way hitting the bar direct from a corner kick.

In the 67th minute Devon took the lead when Barnstaple Town's Billy Tucker was impeded in the area. The same player made no mistake from the spot slotting home what proved to be the winner.

OXFORD CITY 2 WEYMOUTH 0
Southern Premier - Att: 260

AFTER a dismal performance at Evesham last week, Weymouth gave a much better display against fourth placed Oxford City and will feel with a bit of luck they may have taken a point from this encounter.

Having picked up ground over the festive period with 10 points from four games, Weymouth then lost touch with the top half of the table following defeats against two of the sides in the lower half of the Evo-Stik South Premier League, and as a result of the Evesham defeat received a tongue-lashing from boss Brendan King.

His words appeared to have been taken on board as first Matt Groves fired just wide and Craig Duff brought a save from City keeper Jason Mooney as the Terras were first to find their feet.

However Nick Jordan soon had to be alert to save at Pablo Haysham's feet before producing a sharp save from Declan Benjamin.

Chances were few, but on 38 minutes Weymouth had a let-off when Chris Wilmott struck a post from James Clark's free kick with Jordan beaten.

As in the first half, Weymouth started the more positive after the break and when Mooney denied Sam Poole from close range, Marvin Martin headed Ben Gerring's effort from the rebound off the line.

However it was Oxford that broke the deadlock when Jordan was unable to get to Mark Bell's swinging corner, and Wilmott headed home from close in.

Six minutes later they doubled their lead when Andy Ballard's scuffed shot from the edge of the area appeared to take a deflection to send it beyond Jordan and effectively close the game out.

Weymouth tried to respond in the final 15 minutes but they rarely troubled the home defence.

Assistant manager Matt Groves told View Sport: "We were much more solid on Saturday.

"I wouldn't say we were dynamic going forward, but it was a much more solid performance.

"It was an unfortunate time to concede a goal for which we were quite disappointed about, and the second one was going wide but got a deflection into the bottom corner. We're not having a lot of luck at the moment, but I think we would have been good enough to have held on for what would have been a good point. But it wasn't to be.

"Sam Poole had a shot just after half-time and the keeper's made a decent save, but if that had gone in I think we would have been in a good position. It just seems at the moment that we are not having a lot of luck at either end and we are just being punished.

"But that's the way it goes sometimes, and over the course of a season you can't have it all your own way. We've just got to dig in and hope we come out the other side as quickly as possible."

The Terras were due to play Stourbridge on Tuesday.

PREMIER LEAGUE

WITH Portland United's 13-game unbeaten run being surprisingly ended as they were knocked-out of the League cup, after extra-time, at the Quarter-final stage by Swanage & Herston, Wincanton Town took full advantage to sneak up to top spot with a 5-0 win at lowly Cranborne.

The last eight tie at Chickerell United went with form as the hosts were beaten 3-0 by Westland Sports.

Weymouth Reserves bagged three useful points with a 2-1 win over Hamworthy United Reserves.

Elsewhere, spare a thought for struggling Sherborne Town who conceded their 100th league goal this season in the 4-0 defeat at Holt United.

SENIOR LEAGUE

UPWEY & Broadwey moved level at the top thanks to goals from Ethan Devaney, Richard frost and Ty Young in a 3-1 win over Stourpaine.

Wareham Rangers remain top after an edgy 2-1 victory over Portland United. Sam Beale netted the Islanders' goal.

Chickerell went down 3-1 at promotion-chasing Kingston Lacy. Meanwhile Weymouth Sports were held to a 1-1 draw at lowly Blandford United

Piddletrenthide United moved of the foot of the table with a 3-2 win against Sturminster Newton with their goals coming from Jon Churchill (2) and Neil Kellaway.

DIVISION ONE

POUNDBURY stay in third place after they defeated their visitors The Ship Inn by the odd goal in three with their marksmen being Richard Beasley and Ashley White.

Bere Regis stay in the top six despite their 4-4 draw at Swanage Town & Herston.

Dorchester Town moved up a place to ninth after their 5-2 win against the Kangaroos with their goals coming from Derek Puckett (3) Zac Chennit and Josh Stroud.

Dorchester Borough moved further away from the foot of the table after their 3-2 win against Shaftesbury with goals from Dan Sidwell, Thomas Elford and Aaron Clarke.

DIVISION TWO

MILBORNE Sports beat leaders Corfe Mullen United 4-0 to close the gap at the top to seven points.

11th Signals moved back into the top three with an 8-2 win at Wyke Regis Social Club - Mathew Williams and Gary Camp scored the hosts' consolations.

Bridport moved up a place to fourth after their 3-1 win at Sturminster Newton whilst the teams in fifth and sixth place, Weymouth Spartans and Dorchester Sports, drew 2-2 with the Weymouth goals coming from Kieron Howes and an own goal.

DIVISION THREE

PIDDLEHINTON United moved up into second spot after their 4-1 win at Portesham with the hosts' consolation goal coming from Matthew Pile.

Galaxy FC moved up a place to fourth with a 3-1 win over Stickland United with their goals coming from Shane Sheridan (2) and Elliot Gould.

Bere Regis returned to winning form with a 6-0 thrashing of Cranborne with goals from Shaun Cope (2), Will Spurdle (2), Carl Dyke and Callum White.

DIVISION FOUR

WEYMOUTH Spartans moved up into second place after a 2-2 draw with at Littlemoor. Ashley Hine scored twice for the Spartans with George West and an own goal replying

Meanwhile, Owermoigne remain fourth after a 1-1 draw with Puddletown.

Bishops Caundle recorded their sixth win of the season when they defeated their visitors from Poundbury Rovers 3-1 with goals from Chris Paul with a brace and one for Justin Bingham.

◆ News: CHICKERELL United trio Jordan Tewkesbury, Liam Tugwell and Adam Wash were included in the Dorset under 16 squad which faced Oxfordshire at Thame United on Sunday.

DIVISION FIVE

AFC Blandford moved back into pole position following their 9-1 win at Poundbury Rovers.

Maiden Newton & Cattistock returned to winning form with a 3-1 victory over their visitors from Handley Sports with with goals from Marcus Means, Adam Morris and an own goal

RESULTS - January 28th

PREMIER DIVISION
Bridport Res 1-1 Merley Cobham
Cranborne 0-5 Wincanton Town
Holt United 4-0 Sherborne Res
Poole Boro 1-5 Sturm Marshall
Weymouth Res 2-1 Ham Utd Res

League Cup Quarter Finals
Chickerell Utd 0-3 Westland Sp
Parley Sports 0-2 Hamworthy Rec
Portland Utd 1-2 Swanage & H
Shaftesbury 0-4 Blandford United

Senior League
Blandford Utd 1-1 Weymouth Sports
Kingston Lacy 3-1 Chickerell United.
Okeford United 1-1 Bishops Caundle
Piddletrenthide 3-2 Sturm Newtn Utd
Upwey & Broadwey 3-1 Stourpaine
Wareham Rangers 1-2 Portland Utd
Witchampton Utd 3-2 Gillingham

Division One
Dorchester Boro 3-2 Shaftesbury
Dorchester Town 5-2 Kangaroos
Merley Cobham 4-1 Poole Boro
Poundbury 2-1 Ship Inn Wool
Swanage & H 4-4 Bere Regis
Westland Sports 1-3 Mere Town
Wincanton p-p Granby Rovers

Division Two
Crossways 3-5 Wareham Rangers
Gillingham Town 7-1 Corfe Castle
Milborne Sports 3-0 Corfe Mullen Utd
SturmNewton Utd 1-3 Bridport A
Weymouth Spart 2-2 Dorch Sports
Wyke Regis SC 2-8 11th Signals

Division Three
Bere Regis 6-0 Cranborne
Donhead Utd p-p Soccer FC
Galaxy 3-1 Stickland Utd
Portesham 1-4 Piddlehinton Utd

Division Four
Bishops Caundle 3-1 Poundbury
Handley Sports 7-1 Stalbridge
Littlemor 2-2 WeymouthSpartans
Owermoigne 1-1 Puddletown

Division Five
Maiden Newton & C 3-1 Handley Sp
Marnhull 1-1 Donhead United
Pimperne Sports p-p Dorchester CC
Poundbury 1-9 AFC Blandford

FIXTURES - January 4th

Premier Division
Blandford Utd v Bridport Res
Ham Utd Res v Chickerell Utd
Holt United v Poole Borough
Merley Cobham v Ham Rec
Parley Sports v Shaftesbury
Portland United v Sherborne Res
Sturm Marshall v Tintinhull
Swanage & Herston v Weymouth Res

Senior League
Chickerell Utd v Gillingham Town
Kingston Lacy v Witchampton Utd
Piddletrenthide Utd v Blandford Utd
Sturm Newton Utd v Bishops Caundle
Upwey & Broadwey v Okeford Utd
Wareham Rangers v Stourpaine
Weymouth v Portland United

Division One
Bere Regis v Dorchester Borough
Dorchester Town v Merley Cobham
Poole Borough v Kangaroos
Shaftesbury v Granby Rovers
Westland Sp v Ship Inn Wool
Wincanton Town v Swanage & H

Division Two
11th Signals v Gillingham Town
Bridport v Wareham Rangers
Corfe Castle v Lytchett RT
Corfe Mullen United v Balti House
Dorch Sports v Sturm Newton Utd
Weymouth Spart v Milborne Sports
Wyke Regis SC v Crossways

Division Three
AFC Cobham v Piddlehinton United
Cranborne v Donhead United
Galaxy v Soccer FC
Okeford United v Bere Regis
Portesham v Maiden Newton & C

Division Four
Bishops Caundle v Owermoigne
Handley Sports v Galaxy
Poundbury v Swanage Town & H

Division Five
AFC Blandford v Dorchester CC
Broadstone v Maiden Newtn & C
Donhead Utd v Handley Sports
Milborne Sports v Marnhull
Poundbury v Pimperne Sports

PREMIER	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Wincanton	21	17	4	0	55	52*
Portland Utd	20	16	2	2	56	50
Westland Sports	20	15	3	2	52	48
Hamworthy Res	19	15	1	3	47	46
Holt United	21	14	2	5	34	44
Chickerell United	21	13	2	6	13	41
Parley Sports	23	11	3	9	1	36
Bridport Reserves	21	10	4	7	14	34
Swanage & Herston	21	11	1	9	-3	34
Sturminster Marshall	24	8	5	11	4	29
Blandford United	22	8	4	10	-5	28
Poole Borough	24	8	4	12	-6	28
Tintinhull	23	6	5	12	-24	23
Merley Cobham	22	6	3	13	-16	21
Hamworthy Utd Res	23	6	3	14	-37	21
Cranborne	24	6	2	16	-27	20
Weymouth Res	22	6	4	12	-16	16*
Shaftesbury	22	4	2	16	-52	14
Sherborne Res	23	0	2	21	-90	2

(* points adjusted)

SENIOR	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Wareham Rangers	18	10	5	3	11	35
Upwey & Broadwey	18	11	2	5	9	35
Kingston Lacy	15	10	4	1	20	34
Portland Utd Res	16	9	6	1	26	33
Witchampton Utd	16	10	2	4	12	32
Okeford United	16	7	4	5	14	25
Weymouth Sports	18	6	5	7	-5	23
Sturm Newton Utd	16	6	3	7	0	21
Bishops Caundle	18	4	8	6	2	20
Stourpaine	16	5	4	7	-1	19
Gillingham Res	16	4	2	10	-18	14
Chickerell Utd Res	16	2	5	9	-16	11
Piddletrenthide	16	2	4	10	-15	10
Blandford Utd Res	19	2	4	13	-39	10

DIVISION ONE	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Westland Sports Rs	17	13	2	2	39	41
Mere Town	14	12	2	0	54	38
Poundbury Rovers	19	9	6	4	11	33
Poole Borough Res	18	9	2	7	7	29
Granby Rovers	12	8	1	3	18	25
Bere Regis	17	7	2	8	13	23
Merley Cobham	17	7	2	8	-10	23
Wincanton Res	17	6	3	8	-12	21
Dorchester Town A	16	6	2	8	-7	20
Swanage Town & H	14	6	1	7	-11	19
Kangaroos	15	5	2	8	-9	17
Ship Inn, Wool	17	5	2	10	-10	17
Dorchester Boro	15	3	2	10	-20	11
Shaftesbury Res	14	0	1	13	-63	

DIVISION TWO	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Corfe Mullen Utd	17	15	1	1	57	46
Milborne Sports	15	13	0	2	52	39
11 Signals	15	11	0	4	37	33
Bridport A	17	10	3	4	27	33
Weymouth Spart	17	10	2	5	19	32
Dorchester Sports	15	9	2	4	16	29
Gillingham A	15	8	4	3	24	28
The Balti House	16	8	0	8	-4	24
Wareham Rang Res	18	6	2	10	-23	20
Crossways	16	4	0	12	-22	12
Wyke Regis SC	14	3	3	8	-37	12
Lytchett RT	17	3	1	13	-48	10
Sturm Newton Res	15	1	1	13	-45	4
Corfe Castle	17	1	1	15	-53	4

DIVISION THREE	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
AFC Cobham	17	13	1	3	29	40
Piddlehinton Utd	15	10	3	2	33	33
Donhead Utd	13	11	0	2	26	33
Galaxy FC	14	8	0	6	5	24
Portesham United	16	7	1	8	-4	22
Soccer FC	14	7	0	7	11	21
Bere Regis Res	15	6	1	8	6	19
Stickland United	16	5	2	9	-36	17
Maiden Newtn & C	16	5	0	11	-11	15
Okeford Utd Res	14	4	1	9	-18	13
Cranborne Res	16	2	1	13	-41	7

DIVISION FOUR	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Handley Sports	15	9	4	2	34	31
Weymouth Spart	16	8	2	6	7	26
Stalbridge	15	8	2	5	2	26
Owermoigne	14	7	4	3	2	25
Littlemoor	15	6	5	4	0	23
Poundbury Rovers	17	6	4	7	-7	22
Bishops Caundle	15	6	0	9	-10	18
Puddletown	16	5	1	10	-8	16
Swanage Town & H	14	3	3	8	-9	11 *
Galaxy FC Res	13	1	7	5	-11	10

DIVISION FIVE	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Mere Town Res	14	12	1	1	53	37
AFC Blandford	17	13	1	3	45	40
Mere Town Res	14	12	1	1	53	37
Broadstone	16	12	1	3	39	37
Donhead Utd Res	16	10	4	2	27	34
Pimperne Sports	14	6	3	5	24	21
Marnhull	16	5	3	8	-16	18
Maiden Newtn & C	14	4	1	9	-24	13
Dorchester CC	12	4	0	8	-6	12
Handley Sports	15	3	3	9	-41	12
Milborne Sports	14	1	3	10	-22	6
Poundbury A	16	1	2	13	-79	5

(* Points adjusted)

Piddle push for Puddletown RFC

PUDDLETOWN'S rugby players will be sporting new style shirts from now on thanks to the ongoing support of the club's main team sponsor, The Dorset Piddle Brewery.

Now into its third season, the sponsorship deal sees the newly designed kit continue to carry the brewery's distinctive 'I love a good Piddle' logo, emblazoned across the front.

Director Rob Martin, presenting the new shirts to 1st XV captain Tom Yeatman and vice-captain Jon Wilson, commented: "They look great, and I'm confident they will ensure that the Piddle brand is talked about whenever and wherever the team plays. I'm delighted that The Dorset Piddle Brewery is continuing to support Puddletown RFC in this way; it's a relationship which works well for both of us and one which continues to go from strength to strength".

The new shirts also carry a message of support for Prostate Action in recognition of the Villagers' ongoing fundraising for the charity, particularly through events like the annual Dorset Piddle Dash held annually at the club.

■ **CONTINUED SUPPORT**: Director of The Dorset Piddle Brewery Rob Martin (second right) present the new shirts to Puddletown's 1st XV captain Tom Yeatman watched by vice-captain Jon Wilson (left) and brewer Vic Irvine (right).

RUGBY ROUND-UP

WITH KEITH JENKIN

Puddletown on top in local -derby

HAVING spent the last few weeks journeying to the East on a Saturday afternoon, I decided to travel to the West on Saturday last to take in the Cornwall & Devon League promotion clash between Honiton and Hayle.

WEYMOUTH 51 ELLINGHAM & RINGWOOD 2nd 12

WEYMOUTH, although they did not really play at their best, were just too good for their opponents who reside near the bottom of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South).

They scored four tries during the first 40 minutes, through Max Vallance, Joel Wilson, Mike Robinson and Sean Murphy and, with out half Nick Sheppard converting two of them, and kicking a penalty goal, they led 27-5 at the halfway stage.

Having had the four try bonus point sewn up by the break, they went on from there. Sheppard got over for the first try in the second period. Wilson then touched down his second of the afternoon. Craig Geldard also crossed the whitewash, and flanker Charles rounded things off as his side moved out of sight.

Sheppard kicked two second half conversion to add to his first-half tally, while the visitors, who had scored an unconverted try during the first-half, scored another with the final play of the game, and converted this one to bring some success after what was a pretty long afternoon for them.

WEYMOUTH 2nd 0 PUDDLETOWN 15

IT was the visitors who settled first in this local derby game.

They took the lead with an unconverted try after Matt Watts, one of their flankers, was first to react when the ball ran loose after a lineout close to the Weymouth line. He gathered and dived over to give his side a five-point lead and, for the next few minutes Puddletown were in the ascendancy.

The home defence coped however and set up attacks through their eight that were dealt with in turn, and half time was approaching when the next score came.

Prop forward Michael-Beale found himself in space on halfway and set off. He slipped several tackles, made good ground before finding centre Hiscock at his elbow. He finished the move by scoring under the posts.

Unusually, the conversion attempt from in front was charged down, leaving Puddletown 10 points to the good at the halfway stage.

They would have known however that matters were far from resolved, for the home side had shown themselves to be capable of taking the result

throughout the first half.

The contest continued to be evenly contested in the second-half, with both sides having their moments in attack.

Final passes for both sides tended to go astray however and the half remained scoreless until the final few minutes.

At this juncture centre Yeatman made the dummy run, his out half threw the miss pass, putting Hiscock into the gap. He turned the defence and found full back House in support and he touched down.

This try too remained unconverted but it served to put the visitors two scores clear and they proceeded to play out time for a win that they will cherish.

SHERBORNE 10 DORCHESTER 15

STRANGE to relate, the home side started and finished this game well enough but failed to measure up in between.

In minute one they were awarded a penalty and, while Dorchester were scratching their collective heads as to the reason why, their scrum worker took the quick tap and scuttled over from twenty metres out.

The visitors then began to take the game to their opponents, gaining an edge in the set piece, defending aggressively and winning the territorial battle.

This did not bring immediate success although they had a try disallowed and missed a penalty from a wide angle during the first quarter.

Things changed however when Bament, together with the home number eight were invited to spend ten minutes in the bin. James Baker took over the kicking duties in his absence and landed two penalties to give his side the lead.

He kicked a third just before the break, turning his side's pressure into points, and Dorchester led 9-5 at the halfway stage.

Dorchester's dominance, territorially speaking, continued after the break and for the whole of the third quarter, and well into the fourth, Sherborne struggled to get out of their own half.

They did well, defensively speaking, and this fact, together with Dorchester's occasional lack of precision, meant that the scoreboard remained unchanged.

Baker then kicked his fourth and fifth penalties of the afternoon to take his side a score clear, and it was as well that he did so for, in the final minutes, the home side did mount an attack, work an overlap and their winger got over out wide.

While this late try did salvage a losing bonus points for Sherborne, Dorchester would have returned very satisfied with their overall performance.

It was a pretty good day for the Dorchester club all round, with their second team coming out on top against Verwood 22-10 and moving to the top of the Dorset & Wilts league Division Three (South).

BOURNEMOUTH 4th 10 DORCHESTER 3rd 33

A HOST of unavoidable late withdrawals meant that Dorchester had to travel with just eleven players. This they did and, although their opponents made up the numbers, the game had to take place as a friendly.

It was hardly surprising that the home side scored first as Dorchester took time to settle. Having done so they equalised through Sam Scott who ran in from halfway. The try was converted, as was the next, touched down by Tom Caines, and Dorchester led 14-10 at the halfway stage.

Things got even better in the second half as the visitors stretched away to win comfortably with tries coming from Underhill, Caines and Lewis Glyn.

BRIDPORT 8 SALISBURY 2nd 19

AFTER taking an early lead Bridport slid to defeat against a well drilled Salisbury side whose defensive tackling, especially in the centre, served to nullify most home threequarter moves throughout the match.

A penalty goal, kicked by out half Jason Kidd gave them the lead with just five minutes gone and the score line remained unchanged for the next half hour.

The visitors then replied with a converted try, only for the home side to regain their lead almost immediately when they fed hooker Herbert at the front of a lineout in their opponents' twenty two.

He galloped down the outside channel and, when challenged, found Phillips up in support who gathered the offload and touched down out wide. The try remained unconverted and Bridport took a slender 8-7 lead in at the break.

The much changed home side continued to compete into the second half, only for Salisbury to edge ahead after some fifteen minutes with a try that they converted.

Matters were far from resolved however, but Bridport were finding their attacks blunted by some good Salisbury defending then, with some 10 minutes left, the ball ran loose in midfield.

The visitors were first to react and took full advantage by scoring an unconverted try to complete the scoring, edging clear and leaving the home side with not even a losing bonus point to show for their afternoon's work.

The Bridport second side, decimated by first team calls, had no option but to concede their fixture.

PREVIEW

OF the four local sides, two play at home on Saturday next.

DORCHESTER have what is sure to be a bit of a tester with the visit of WIMBORNE. Dorchester were beaten, albeit narrowly, by these opponents earlier in the season, but have enjoyed a better campaign subsequently.

The fact that Wimborne are occupying a mid table place is, in itself a little surprising, but I see that they have roused themselves and put a couple of good results together recently.

The home side will have to be at its very best if it is to win this one.

In complete contrast PUDDLETOWN, also at home, face a side who they should beat comfortably in WHEATSHEAF CABIN CREW.

The visitors have always been unpredictable in the extreme in the past but have not enjoyed a good season thus far and shipped over one hundred points during their last game but one. They occupy a relegation place at the moment, with maybe the door to the Dorset & Wilts third division ajar.

Puddletown on the other hand, are an improving side and, while not threatening a promotion place, will I am sure, end the season very much in the top half of the division.

Both BRIDPORT and WEYMOUTH play away from home. The former certainly have a little tester at SHERBORNE 2nd who narrowly beat them at the Brewery Field back in the autumn.

Given the apparent reluctance of several of their squad to travel, I would suggest that, although they have shown signs of improvement as the season has progressed, they have scant chance of reversing that result. Let's hope I'm wrong.

WEYMOUTH travel to take on the workmanlike SWANAGE & WAREHAM 2nd side whom they bested 24-8 back in the autumn.

Their opponents, while lying in the division's fourth place, have enjoyed a mixed bag of results so far and I would normally back Weymouth to come out on top after a close game.

I am aware however that the Weymouth club have a veritable butchers bill of injuries at the moment, and much will depend on the condition of several of their "walking wounded".

As to the second sides, Bridport seconds entertain their Dorchester counterparts and will certainly have quite a job on if they are to win this one, home advantage notwithstanding, for their opponents are making a very determined push for promotion.

Dorchester thirds have a far easier task on hand seemingly with the visit of New Milton, as do Weymouth seconds who take on Wincanton.

Weymouth thirds face the prospect of a long journey and a difficult game at Ellingham & Ringwood thirds.

Fixtures 4th February

Bridport v Sherborne 2nd (away); Bridport 2nd v Dorchester 2nd (home); Chard v Burnham on Sea (away); Chard 2nd v Morganians (home); Chard 3rd v Castle Cary 2nd (home); Crewkerne v Minehead Barbarians 2nd (away); Dorchester v Wimborne (home); Dorchester 2nd v Bridport 2nd (away); Dorchester 3rd v New Milton 3rd (home); Honiton v Withycombe (away); Honiton 2nd v Tiverton 3rd (home); Puddletown v Wheatsheaf Cabin Crew (home); Sidmouth v Thornbury (away); Sidmouth 2nd v Devonport Services 2nd (home); Sidmouth 3rd v No Game; Weymouth v Swanage & Wareham 2nd (away) ; Weymouth 2nd v Wincanton (home); Weymouth 3rd v Ellingham & Ringwood 3rd (away).

Weymouth youths

Weymouth U15 33 Bridport 17

WEYMOUTH produced another good performance to beat Bridport at home, producing tries from both forwards and backs alike.

The hosts were at full-strength with plenty of reserves available enabling the match to be split into three 25 minute sections to allow all players to get game play time under their belts.

Both teams began brightly, each cancelling out their opponents attack and demonstrating some good defensive play. The deadlock was broken by Weymouth who, playing with the strong wind behind them, scored 19 unanswered points in the first third,

Weymouth made six substitutions at the break, but it was Bridport now with the elements in their favour who scored their 17 points without reply.

Weymouth made more changes at the start of the third period, and it was this that made the difference as they ran in the remaining points to seal the victory.

Weymouth U16 22 Swanage 24

WEYMOUTH hosted Swanage with a slightly depleted team and once again the match was split into thirds to allow all squad players the opportunity of a run out.

Weymouth started slowly and it was the Swans who were first to put points on the board. However Weymouth hit back with some well worked moves scoring two tries in quick succession and comfortably held their visitors at bay for the rest of the period looking comfortable both going forward and in defence.

The six changes at the start of the second period hampered Weymouth and Swanage ran in three unanswered tries, two of which were converted, leaving them a healthy 24–12 lead going into the final third.

Weymouth continually pushed Swanage back in the last period and were rewarded with two tries scored out wide to reduce the gap to two points.

Their dominance in offence was evident as the visitors resorted to kicking at every opportunity, but Swanage held on with some very commendable defence to claim victory.

Bridport Duo Star for Weymouth

WEYMOUTH TROPICS 30
DORSET STORM B 28

IN their first game of 2012, U16 Weymouth Tropics basketball team travelled to Bournemouth to face the Dorset Storms A and B teams in a Friday evening round-robin league.

■ IN-FORM: Weymouth Tropics' captain Jordan Daniels.

The first game was a shakey encounter opening game, with both teams refusing to show their cards as both teams threw up a variety of misplaced shots.

It was only until Weymouth focused to find a streak of baskets, the first coming from newly appointed captain Jordan Daniels, soon followed with some sharp-shooting from Jay Willson.

Storm did fightback and things looked worrying when Gerry Legg was in foul trouble and forced to watch from the side lines.

But The Tropics refused to waver as they used efficient passing to find Josh Turner and outstanding defence from Jake Kinder to close out a 30–28 victory.

◆ MVP: Jordan Daniels.

WEYMOUTH TROPICS 22
DORSET STORM A 40

THE second game it was a different story from the young side as it was clear the first game had taken their energy and with top-scorer Daniels falling to injury.

Despite some great effort from U14 promoted player Jerry Thompson and Josh Kirby they attempted to give Storm a competitive game.

Some flashes of skill then showed themselves in the final period as a focus on enjoyment brought the team a rejuvenated spirit led by Kirby and Kinder despite the 22-40 scoreline, finished the game with multiple rebounds and steals.

Coach Alex Fuhrmann said: "Great job from the guys tonight, we got a huge win over the more experience Storm side in the first game and gave a good fight in a match against their A team.

"It was a great team effort with some superb performances, I'm especially pleased we were impressively represented by our boys from Bridport."

◆ MVP: Josh Kirby

Roster: Jordan Daniels, Josh Kirby, Jerry Thompson, Josh Turner, Jay Willson, Taine Mackay, Errol Marquez, Jake Kinder, Matt Clarke-Williams, Gerry Legg.

Dorchester & District Snooker League

***RESULTS**; WDC Whipping Boys 2 West Dorset Club C 5, Colliton XQ2011 2 West Dorset Club A 5, Colliton Hopefuls 6 Colliton Club B 0, Trinity Gooduns 3 WDC Whipping Boys 5, Trinity M 3 Trinity Gooduns 5, Colliton Club B 3 West Dorset Club A 5, Purbeck Potters 3 Colliton Cons 5, Trinity Express 3 Colliton Nomads 5.*

***30+ breaks**: M.Beale 33, G.Bartlett 32, E.Wellman 30..*

***Top Break of the Season:** Mark Beale (Trinity Gooduns), Graham Bartlett (West Dorset Club A) both 66.*

	Pld	W	D	L	N/R	Pts
West Dorset Club C	13	10	2	1	0	65
West Dorset Club A	13	9	2	2	0	63
Trinity Gooduns	15	9	2	4	0	61
Colliton Cons	14	8	1	5	0	56
Trinity M	15	6	2	7	0	56
Trinity Express	15	4	2	9	0	54
Colliton XQ2011	15	6	2	7	0	53
Purbeck Potters	15	3	5	7	0	53
Colliton Hopefuls	14	5	1	8	0	46
Colliton Nomads	13	7	1	5	0	45
WDC Whipping Boys	15	6	0	9	0	45
Colliton Club B	15	2	2	11	0	45

◆ ***TEAM OPEN KO CUP semi-final;** West Dorset Club C v Collinton Nomads P (rearranged for Feb 1st at Trinity Club).*

◆ ***TEAM HANDICAP KO CUP FINAL;** West Dorset Club A v Colliton Cons (Monday, February 13th at Trinity Club).*

■ MATCH action from Weymouth under 15s 33-17 victory over Bridport last weekend.

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INSIDE: Weymouth basketball news

Reed turns down Magpies

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STEPHEN Reed did a sensational about turn on Tuesday when having agreed terms with Dorchester Town he decided to stay at Weymouth.

The midfielder had been expected to sign for the Magpies having agreed terms on Monday along with Terras striker Sam Malsom. However following a last ditch attempt to keep him at the club, manager Brendon King persuaded Reed that his future lay with the Evo-Stik Southern Premier side.

The transfer merry-go-round that has seen a hectic few days at both clubs, started last Friday when it was announced both players were in talks with the county town side and were due to sign early this week.

It appeared clear that Malsom would be leaving when King left him out of the side that lost 2-0 to Oxford City on Saturday, but Reed who is on non-contract terms at the Bob Lucas Stadium did play.

Having agreed terms with Dorchester on Monday, both were due to put pen to paper on Tuesday evening, before Reed's sensational U-turn. It is not clear at the time of going to press on what terms Reed has agreed to stay, and it is possible the Terras could offer him a permanent contract.

Malsom's arrival at The Avenue will help to soften the loss of Ben Dickenson's departure to Brighton & Hove Albion, and with Ryan Moss having moved to a new job in London before Christmas, the 24-year-old will strengthen the front line.

Andrew White has however left the club. He arrived at the end of the year on loan from Eastleigh, but following a number of niggling injuries has been unable to command a regular place, and with Magpies boss Alan Knight unable to guarantee him a regular start, has returned to the Hampshire outfit.

The club however is hoping to extend the loan of Tom Nicholls from Exeter City for at least another month, although Knight is hoping to persuade the Grecians to allow him to stay until the end of the season.

Knight said: "He says he's enjoying it here, and he's doing a fine job for us. Phil Simkin has been talking to them and I get the impression that as long as they don't suffer too many injuries that might be an option."

Reed's change of mind has however given the Magpies management another problem with the departure of Steve Devlin who has joined Poole Town for a nominal fee.

The tenacious midfielder who was out of contract at the end of the season, declined a new contract.

Chairman Shaun Hearn said: "We had three offers for Steve including Poole Town who I had promised first option should he want to leave.

"I've a lot of time for Steve and he's a good player and we didn't want him to leave, but he needs to look after his family first and we wish him the best of luck."

Knight has moved quickly to cover the loss of Devlin and Reed and hopes to have a midfield replacement in place by the weekend although he was keeping quiet about who it might be.

Meanwhile Weymouth have completed the signing of AFC Totton's James Coutts on another months loan, although not in time for Tuesday match at Stourbridge, as well as Lewis Clarke from Yeovil Town who played at Oxford City on Saturday.

Assistant manager Matt Groves confirmed however that keeper Tom Manley has left the club to concentrate on his studies.

Weymouth RFC U13s

■ WEYMOUTH Rugby Club's under 13s squad assmebled for a team photograph with coach David Stone before the recent match against North Dorset. *Photo by CHRIS DAVIS*

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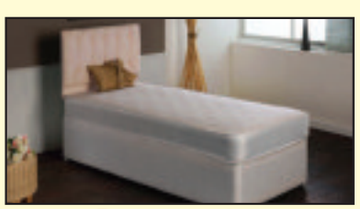
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